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Department of the Fire Marshal,
Harrisburg, May 27, 1918.

Hon. Martin G. Brumbaugh, Governor of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa.

Dear Sir: In accordance with the requirements of the Act approved the third day of June, 1911, establishing the office of the State Fire Marshal, I have the honor to submit, for your consideration, the report of transactions of the Department for the years 1916 and 1917.

Very respectfully,

G. CHAL. PORT,
State Fire Marshal.

ANNUAL REPORT

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DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE FIRE MARSHAL

1916 AND 1917

During the year 1916, 15,728 fires involving a loss of $14,431,132 were reported to this Department, compared with 15,271 fires reported in 1917 involving a loss of $17,363,605. The increase of $2,932,473 loss for 1917 over 1916 can be largely attributed to the unprecedented activities throughout the State since the declaration of war through which many angles of safety were more or less disregarded or overlooked in the effort to meet the heavy demand upon industrial and commercial life. Approximately two-thirds of the fires reported in 1916 and 1917, a decrease of 457, were strictly or partly preventable and were due to carelessness, indifference, and neglect, to regard with reasonable attention the precautions necessary to prevent fires.

A careful review of the appended tables will indicate with greater effect than a cumbersome detailed report the causes and conditions resulting in fire not only in this State, but also similarly throughout the country.

To prevent and reduce the serious aspects and drain that this unwarranted and irrecoverable waste will otherwise ultimately achieve, it is paramountly an important object to concentrate the work of the State Fire Marshal Department along constructive and progressive lines of Fire Prevention and obtain and apply remedial legislation where cooperation fails. The State Fire Marshal Law defines broadly its enactment as a Fire Prevention measure, providing that the State Fire Marshal, his deputies and assistants shall determine the causes of all fires, investigate and prosecute fires of incendiary origin, and to inspect all properties as far as practicable for the purpose of having removed or remedied all conditions liable to fire and endangering other property. This is a most arduous task and requires time, patience and hard work.

There are 2,542 assistants to the State Fire Marshal appointed in all civil divisions in the State, whose duty as prescribed by law is the reporting of all fires that occur in their respective districts, to

investigate into the cause and origin of such fires, and reporting to the Department of all conditions in their districts that in any manner present fire hazards and liable to the endangering of other property.

The State Fire Marshal Act provides that these appointments be extended to the Chiefs of the Fire Departments, and where no Fire Department is maintained, to the Burgess of the Borough or the President or the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of the Townships.

This service in some instances is given considerable attention by the assistants, but in all cases of incendiary fires and special inspection it is necessary to assign the deputies to this service, a comparatively small force, by reason of limited appropriation being inadequate to allow the fee provided by law for special investigations and inspections by assistants. Therefore, much of the work depends upon the public spirit of the citizens so appointed.

EDUCATION AND PUBLICITY.

Education and publicity are undoubtedly of inestimable advantage in bringing to the knowledge of the public the conditions causing fire and the precautions that should be maintained to reduce to a minimum the possibility of the occurrence of fire.

In this effort approximately 700,000 copies of bulletins and other literature were distributed during 1916 and 1917 through the State, the result of which has shown encouraging reductions of fire losses in many sections and a greater activity for the betterment of conditions.

No subject is more vital to the citizens of the State than that of Fire Prevention and it is manifest to believe that the subject each year will be given more attention.

In 1917, October 9th was officially set aside by Your Excellency as Fire Prevention Day, to be observed by the people as a means of arousing the citizens to the magnitude of the fire waste and inducing them to take more interest in the subject of Fire Prevention. The response to this initial occasion in the State was extremely beneficial, in that its object is arousing the citizens to their individual responsibility was generally successful and provided a closer cooperation with the State Fire Marshal Department.

Fire Prevention should also be urgently advocated in the public schools with respect to special courses of instruction in the causes and dangers of fires and the inauguration and continuance of fire

drills,* and it is hoped that with the cooperation and support of the Superintendent of Public Instruction this feature will be successfully arranged.

The Department has also actively engaged in educating the public in Fire Prevention by participating in and addressing numerous meetings of associations and organizations and has frequently suggested methods as to prevention and protection and its proper organization, which it stands ready to do at all times and lend such other efforts within the scope of its authority. It is the purpose within the near future to enlarge upon this work by educational exhibits which will be a great advancement in the Fire Prevention movement.

INCENDIARY INVESTIGATIONS.

During 1916 and 1917, 664 reported suspicious and incendiary fires were investigated by the Department with the following results:

Incendiary,	174
Partial evidence to indicate incendiary,	267
No evidence of incendiary,	223
Arrests,	199
Convictions,	106
Acquittals,	35
Bills ignored, quashed and nolle prossed,	25
Left jurisdiction of the State,	10
Suicide awaiting trial,	1
Awaiting trial,	19
Under investigation,	21

Arson is the most difficult crime to detect, principally by reason of the fact that the evidence at the scene of the fire is in most cases destroyed, and the burning is arranged so secretly by the perpetrator that it is oftentimes extremely hard in cases where incendiarism exists to secure sufficient evidence to warrant conviction.

In the majority of the incendiary cases the cause predominates in the purpose of persons endeavoring to recover insurance carried upon their property, which has frequently been found to exceed the actual value of the property. Incendiarism has been found to be extensively the case among persons in financial difficulty and those

*See Regulations on page 14.

commercializing otherwise for gain, and in cases where over-insurance has been obtained the incentive has been more apparent. A small percentage of incendiary fires were due to pyromaniacs, which are quite difficult to prevent in the initial stage, and a few cases were committed for personal malice. Of approximately 2,000 cases specially investigated by the Department within the past 5 years, the design of this crime was found generally to have been committed under the reasons above given.

Incendiarism can be successfully reduced by concentrated and unrelaxing efforts of the State Fire Marshal Department and other authorities, but principal stress must be laid upon the Fire Insurance Companies for proper examination of properties and the investigation of the owners before a reasonable insurance is written, so as to remove or lessen primarily this element of the cause.

INSPECTION—FIRE PREVENTION.

Fire Prevention lies fundamentally in the inspection of buildings and premises for the purpose of eliminating fire hazards and to stimulate care to be exercised by owners and occupants to keep their buildings free of all conditions that may cause fire. During 1916, 3,022 inspections were made by this Department on the basis of which 1,039 orders were issued to correct fire hazard conditions. Among the orders issued the principal causes were for the removal and proper disposal of rubbish and waste accumulation; for the installation of fire extinguishers, and the removal of explosive oils from buildings. Twenty-nine (29) dilapidated buildings especially liable to fire and endangering other property were ordered torn down.

In 1917, 7,079 inspections were made upon which were issued 1,599 orders, principally among which included the condemnation of 284 dilapidated buildings especially liable to fire, removal and proper disposal of rubbish and waste accumulation, installation of fire extinguishers, removal of explosive oils from buildings, and chimneys repaired or reconstructed.

The action of the Department in ordering the correction of conditions to prevent the possibility of fire has succeeded in creating general activity along this line, which is indicated by the fact that in 1916, 1,983, and in 1917, 5,699 (an increase of 3,716), properties were found to be in good condition and free from fire hazards.

Similar inspections have also been undertaken locally under the supervision of the Fire Department, and this work has done much in the lessening of fire hazard.

Inspection services must be followed under systematic methods and invaluable assistance can be given by the citizens in cleaning and keeping clean their premises from fire breeding materials. The State Fire Marshal Department is endeavoring to make Pennsylvania fireproof, and asks the cooperation of all to that end. Fire waste will be reduced if the causes are removed.

The functions of Fire Insurance Companies are often misunderstood in the payment of fire losses. What they dispense is not new wealth that takes the place of that which is lost, but it is the money gathered from others to give the insured as a substitute for his property loss. In other words, it is the shifting of the burden of loss from the individual to the community, and the community is poorer by exactly the amount of the loss incurred by the individual. Fire waste is an irrecoverable loss and drain upon resources, so it is emphatically urged that daily, weekly or periodical inspections be individually made to remove this menace.

The State Fire Marshal Department urgently recommends the installation of lightning rods* as a means to prevent the possibility of fire after the stroke. It is not the function of the lightning rod to prevent the building from being struck by lightning, but it is the means by which the charge is grounded and thereby protecting the property from destruction from fire which otherwise is invariably the result.

Lightning losses are more evidenced in rural districts on account of the isolation of buildings, and it is urged upon the farmers particularly to protect their buildings and the products of their labor.

In 1916, 1,716, and 1917, 2,070 lightning fire losses, entailing a loss of $1,810,557, were reported to the Department, only a small percentage affecting buildings equipped with lightning rods, and the losses upon these were extremely light. Of a total of 3,786 lightning fire losses in 1916 and 1917, only 20 losses were sustained upon building equipped with lightning rods, and in 5 cases the rods were defective. This in itself shows the protection afforded by lightning rods.

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*See Instructions on page 12.

SPECIAL CONSERVATION WORK.

The participation of the United States in the world war in 1917 indicated that the successful prosecution thereof depended to a large degree on the maximum production of essentials to equip and supply our Army and Navy, and those of our Allies, and the conservation of food and other necessities in the course of production and temporary storage. To this end special attention was devoted to the inspection of factories, mills, grain elevators, storage and warehouses, and other buildings of similar class, to prevent additional hazards arising and to eliminate those that were in existence. Cooperating with the United States Government approximately 5,000 inspections were made of factories, flour mills, storage and warehouses, commercial establishments, and other manufacturing and essential supplying establishments to remove any hazards in the effort to conserve the supply and to prevent interruption of the output.

Particular attention has been urged that establishments of this kind be adequately and sufficiently guarded to prevent destruction, not only from fire occurring in the course of operation, but also from outside agencies.

COOPERATION.

It has been the endeavor and aim of the State Fire Marshal Department to establish for the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania a department devoted to civic and economical advancement, and the appeals for cooperation have been responded to gratifyingly by the State, County, and Municipal authorities, as well as by numerous organizations, the press, and the citizens in general.

In this connection it is creditably due that the firemen of this State (many departments of which represent the State Fire Marshal Department in their respective districts) should be commended upon the services they are called upon to perform in Fire Prevention and Protection. A great deal of work has been done by the firemen in the organization of bureaus providing for systematic inspection of

properties in their districts, the result of which has afforded direct cooperation in the elimination of fire hazards. The Department at this time takes pleasure in acknowledging the cooperation of the firemen of the State.

The assistants to the State Fire Marshal also are to be commended upon the activities they have undertaken in their respective districts, the work of which has called for considerable of their time more as a public duty than for the remuneration received.

Fire Prevention demands cooperation and cooperation in turn rewards.

"It ain't the individual
Nor the Department as a whole,
But the everlastin' team-work
Of every bloomin' soul."

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The Act of June 3rd, 1911, establishing the office of the State Fire Marshal, while specific in general, does not in some instances provide sufficiently for a broad expansion in certain sections thereof to meet various conditions necessary for effective Fire Prevention. It is proposed to ask the next General Assembly for the amendment of certain provisions to strengthen and increase particular powers thereof to meet all necessary requirements in this respect, and at the same time with the thought in view of not creating any unnecessary hardships upon those who might be affected.

CONCLUSION.

I have high praise for the employees of the State Fire Marshal Department for their loyal and efficient support, and my best endeavors will be continued to effect an organization in the interest of the people of Pennsylvania for the most effectual and economical results.

SUGGESTIONS FOR LIGHTNING RODS APPLYING TO ALL STRUCTURES.

Either copper or iron is satisfactory for Lightning conductors. One advantage of iron over copper is its higher fusing point, but iron should not be used in locations difficult of access where corrosion is likely or possible, owing to the necessity of frequent painting to guard against such corrosion.

Conductors when made of copper to be soft-drawn in the form of either tape or standard cable. Except as noted below, the conductor in each case to weigh not less than six ounces per foot. Where cable form is used, no single copper wire to be less than No. 12 B. & S. gauge, while if tape form the thickness to be not less than 3-32 inch.

When used on residences, barns, stables, stores and similar buildings where the maximum height of any point does not exceed sixty feet, and where corrosion is not liable to occur to any extent, copper cable to weigh not less than three ounces per foot, no single wire being less than .046 diameter.

Conductors when made of iron to be in the form of either heavy tape or pipe. The tape conductor to weigh not less than 1¼ pounds per foot and to be not less than 3-32 inch thick. If pipe is used the standard weight of ¾ inch pipe would be satisfactory. Iron used in any form should be thoroughly galvanized to prevent corrosion, and may also be painted if desired.

Conductors to have as few joints as possible, these to be mechanically and electrically secured and to be protected from corrosion.

Conductors to be fastened securely in place, suitable allowance being made for expansion, by clamps of same material as conductors, the vertical rods being carried a sufficient distance from the wall to avoid sharp bends around projecting masonry or brick work. In all cases as straight a run as possible should be provided and the conductors should incline downward. The conductors should never be run through iron pipes.

Conductors to be run as far as practicable from interior piping.

Air terminals to be solid, not less than ¾ inch in diameter except on residences, barns, stables, stores and similar buildings where they may be of tubing not less than ⅝ inch in diameter with wall thickness not less than .31 inch. Terminals to extend not less than 18 inches above the point protected.

All exterior metal work, such as metal roofs, gutters, ventilators, railings, chimney hoods, etc., to be connected with the lightning rod system below the line of the metal work itself or to be separately grounded by regular conductors.

All interior masses of metal such as girders, beams, water piping and any structural iron or steel, though under no consideration gas piping, to be securely connected to the system at their highest and lowest points, the connecting bonds being the regular conductor.

A permanent and reliable ground is absolutely essential, and by far the best ground can usually be secured by connection to underground metallic water piping. When this is impracticable, ground plates, driven pipes, or the equivalent are recommended.

Connection to piping to be made preferably by soldering the conductor into a brass plug and forcibly screwing the plug into the pipe fitting, or when the pipes are cast iron, into a hole tagged into the pipe itself; or, by sweating the conductor into a lug attached to an approved clamp and firmly bolting the clamp to the pipe after the rust and scales have been removed.

In the case of a farm building having a well outside and a pump suction pipe running to the building, a reasonably good ground may be obtained by connecting the conductor to the pipe, provided the pipe at some point is in earth below permanent moisture level.

Connection to ground plates to be made by riveting and soldering, and the connection to be thoroughly protected against corrosion by painting. The ground plates to be of copper and not less than No. 16 Stubb gauge about three feet square and buried below the permanent moisture level with about two feet of crushed coke or charcoal above and below it.

Connection to driven pipe to be made by soldering the conductor into a brass plug and forcibly screwing the plug into a coupling on the upper end of the pipe. The lower end of the pipe to be well below permanent moisture level.

FIRE DRILLS IN SCHOOLS.

Prepared by the Fire Marshal under the Direction of the Superintendent of Public Instruction.

The following are the rules and regulations issued under date of October 2, 1912, by the State Fire Marshal for observance in the schools of Pennsylvania.

1. The general intention of fire drills is to prevent panics usually accompanying fires or an alarm of fire.

2. Owing to the physical conditions of schools throughout the State, drills must of necessity be varied to meet the condition of school buildings.

3. Fire drills must be held at least twice a month.

4. The district superintendent of schools shall instruct the principals and teachers as to their duties and arrange the time of holding drills.

5. Bell signals for fires shall be used exclusively.

6. The bell signal for fire drills shall be one long followed by four short rings and the code for fire drills must be posted in each class room.

7. At the sound of the fire signal, all work must cease instantly. Pupils will rise and march as directed, boys leading.

8. Teachers should follow to be sure that no child has been left behind, sometimes a teacher or an older child might lead, but if the teacher gets too far from the end of the line he or she might not be able to get back to take care of the possible excited straggler.

9. Boys should lead, girls follow, or if possible separate exits should be taken. Boys often trample girls in a rush and girls are sure to be frightened at boys coming down behind them.

10. Children should be taught in the course of drills to overcome obstructions, to be prepared to meet them at the time of actual fire.

11. The movement of children shall be by the shortest route and there shall be no crossing of lines.

12. Classes near stairway shall precede those further away, lower floor classes shall precede upper floor classes.

13. Pupils shall move in sets of two, three or four, as most convenient and must be taught to absolutely obey orders as to formation and march.

14. All movements of classes shall be by MARCHING, not by running, and teachers must not urge or hurry pupils, but must use every effort to prevent excitement and preserve steadiness and precision in line.

15. Fire escapes must be used as far as possible as a regular means of exit, so that the scholars may become accustomed to their location and use; fire escapes must at all times be kept free from obstruction of any character, and during the winter must be kept clear of ice and snow; ashes or sand must be used in case of sleet, or when found impossible to otherwise make them safe for use.

16. Each school is emptied four times a day (two recesses and two dismissals) and these dismissals should be conducted practically in every respect like a fire drill, excepting that the time of dismissal bell signal is used instead of the fire drill signal.

17. The dates upon which fire drills are held must be reported by each principal to the district superintendent, and the district superintendent shall include a copy of this report in his monthly report to the Superintendent of Public Instruction at Harrisburg.

STATEMENT NO. 1.

NUMBER OF FIRES IN EACH COUNTY BY MONTHS. SHOWING REPORTED VALUE OF PROPERTY, LOSS AND AMOUNT OF INSURANCE.

January 1, 1916 to December 31, 1916.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Total.	Reported value.	Loss.	Amount of Insurance.
Adams,	3	4	3	3	4	1			2	1	3	1	25	$843,921	$13,561	$46,296
Allegheny,	151	138	145	101	121	92	131	201	81	115	133	157	1,566	15,647,547	1,042,693	11,988,658
Armstrong,	14	13	27	8	15	10	7	20	11	13	10	11	159	704,611	189,793	466,487
Beaver,	39	36	26	28	16	9	31	26	15	24	18	33	301	3,134,246	163,814	2,490,029
Bedford,	14	7	7	3	7	2	7	16	2	2	5	6	78	174,649	66,083	128,896
Berks,	36	40	46	33	28	19	46	25	24	39	34	46	416	4,486,496	323,882	1,769,154
Blair,	53	67	65	35	42	18	30	35	33	37	70	75	560	1,752,671	132,087	1,229,346
Bradford,	16	11	12	12	7	8	10	17	9	18	4	12	136	363,443	115,570	240,643
Bucks,	9	19	16	16	9	9	20	22	16	14	14	14	178	1,346,840	275,559	1,149,437
Butler,	14	12	17	20	9	10	11	17	19	14	11	11	165	1,550,092	119,905	1,436,604
Cambria,	43	34	30	44	41	27	46	37	32	44	35	48	461	6,795 114	228,093	6,302,367
Cameron,		3	1	2	3		1	1	3	8	4	11	37	6,806,085	140,710	3,411,483
Carbon,	11	6	6	6	4	5	13	15	1	4		7	78	1,561,669	140,775	1,078,363
Centre,	9	16	19	12	8	11	13	6	3	7	9	13	126	2,987,820	251,383	2,759,510
Chester,	18	13	21	23	16	11	22	18	30	17	22	18	229	2,610,500	225,791	2,276,916
Clarion,	8	5	4	11	11	5	4	28	9	8	3	11	107	334,214	159,222	208,295
Clearfield,	28	14	27	49	27	27	20	57	18	24	24	32	347	995,626	249,124	707,792
Clinton,	10	6	12	5	5	4	5	5	3	6	4	7	72	160,738	51,128	118,023
Columbia,	32	7	9	9	3	5	8	9	8	7	4	16	117	1,344,556	147,617	1,194,653
Crawford,	32	13	16	15	24	17	14	26	21	24	19	16	237	945,423	115,170	558,431
Cumberland,	16	10	8	17	7	5	9	12	7	4	12	8	115	566,825	85,714	444,288
Dauphin,	39	36	38	29	26	23	20	21	36	38	42	51	399	2,311,546	253,950	1,943,973
Delaware,	36	26	40	27	30	16	18	28	22	31	24	38	336	2,911,534	373,623	2,345,935
Elk,	5	6	7	4	6	12	4	8	2	8	6	5	73	1,437,114	109,170	1,343,093
Erie,	43	56	41	32	28	44	66	27	52	43	50	33	515	7,174,628	351,450	4,813,808
Fayette,	26	24	28	19	19	13	27	21	17	36	27	40	297	2,640,174	230,193	2,214,373
Forest,	3		1	2		2		2					10	18,675	10,617	12,090
Franklin,	9	6	9	10	7	3	10	11	3	7	9	12	96	1,197,247	113,105	1,174,692
Fulton,	2	1	2	2	3	4	1	1	2	2	2	2	24	25,931	14,098	19,600
Greene,	2	12	6	3	2	2	1	2	4	1		3	38	259,972	158,326	104,360
Huntingdon,	7	9	6	4	8	6	3	14	6	3	7	9	82	2,672,767	192,794	978,565
Indiana,	13	13	17	20	10	28	13	26	7	10	7	12	176	483,808	185,791	321,566

Jefferson,	12	7	8	9	8	18	12	25	6	15	7	11	138	546,925	104,572	334,990
Juniata,	--------	1	1	--------	6	--------	2	--------	2	4	1	1	18	26,324	16,707	18,000
Lackawanna,	103	127	140	85	72	86	100	75	82	125	88	114	1,197	7,647,120	774,389	5,992,149
Lancaster,	31	16	41	33	25	12	24	22	34	25	30	26	319	2,314,254	249,267	2,163,649
Lawrence,	32	31	24	13	17	22	23	34	15	11	20	29	271	1,481,951	452,078	1,176,200
Lebanon,	6	2	11	14	8	2	6	6	2	2	3	4	66	282,356	49,300	194,762
Lehigh,	24	29	14	11	17	7	17	13	19	15	12	22	200	5,788,362	142,154	4,779,219
Luzerne,	100	96	92	89	53	76	131	78	74	79	68	86	1,022	5,651,722	813,040	4,131,923
Lycoming,	29	40	43	25	10	23	24	31	31	25	21	38	340	2,831,780	421,015	1,568,114
McKean,	28	25	23	23	29	23	15	12	23	25	18	21	265	1,686,773	278,977	1,183,370
Mercer,	53	35	34	29	26	16	37	25	33	24	22	36	370	4,334,025	215,040	3,949,765
Mifflin,	1	2	5	1	4	6	5	1	5	1	6	6	43	273,889	15,422	261,335
Monroe,	3	8	6	12	11	6	3	9	9	6	5	7	85	771,692	293,386	638,482
Montgomery,	43	33	40	29	29	24	27	36	32	35	32	36	396	3,251,154	423,081	2,737,968
Montour,	6	3	--------	--------	1	4	5	1	1	1	2	--------	24	71,675	11,717	45,100
Northampton,	29	18	15	20	18	12	37	15	35	17	18	25	259	4,512,371	218,192	2,941,719
Northumberland,	26	36	14	12	14	11	26	9	17	6	6	50	227	1,532,400	403,419	987,758
Perry,	2	3	6	3	3	2	3	7	4	3	--------	2	38	61,127	31,866	42,231
Pike,	--------	2	2	--------	5	--------	2	1	6	2	2	1	23	63,606	34,484	48,150
Potter,	58	8	16	7	2	4	10	8	11	4	9	6	143	1,344,882	400,015	688,682
Schuylkill,	26	24	58	10	30	22	40	37	21	24	30	23	345	1,984,675	269,772	1,284,875
Snyder,	1	2	1	2	2	3	7	1	--------	1	--------	5	25	37,491	10,981	28,150
Somerset,	12	11	12	20	14	5	19	24	16	28	17	6	184	612,778	225,056	390,667
Sullivan,	4	2	2	2	--------	1	4	4	3	1	1	1	25	97,876	21,897	56,135
Susquehanna,	8	24	16	5	2	3	15	10	15	3	10	5	116	371,673	172,750	274,335
Tioga,	7	10	10	10	10	3	11	19	15	18	9	10	132	250,475	146,095	163,872
Union,	6	1	2	4	1	2	7	3	9	3	5	2	45	117,965	42,927	70,197
Venango,	31	21	31	16	9	26	15	29	23	53	14	21	289	2,537,948	316,670	1,603,810
Warren,	7	10	14	13	12	7	21	19	17	15	7	17	159	1,214,435	154,049	1,055,441
Washington,	31	33	39	31	34	19	34	42	28	27	29	32	379	3,017,132	470,979	2,537,688
Wayne,	7	5	3	6	4	7	4	14	12	17	2	7	88	467,668	158,972	341,490
Westmoreland,	56	47	48	41	54	33	80	91	35	42	48	51	626	7,073,718	448,354	6,462,168
Wyoming,	3	--------	4	--------	4	4	6	6	3	2	1	3	36	1,304,573	20,604	1,255,875
York,	26	22	33	16	38	16	27	18	21	12	23	27	279	1,972,644	393,564	1,646,223
Total,	1,552	1,397	1,520	1,195	1,118	953	1,410	1,479	1,157	1,280	1,178	1,489	15,728	$140,981,921	$14,431,132	$106,323,218

STATEMENT NO. 2.

NUMBER OF FIRES IN EACH COUNTY BY MONTHS.
SHOWING REPORTED VALUE OF PROPERTY, LOSS AND AMOUNT OF INSURANCE.

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Adams,	4	2	4	3	3	3	1	4	7	4	3	2	40	$155,678	$51,572	$94,559
Allegheny,	149	202	172	137	88	125	103	176	76	87	116	116	1,547	58,687,451	1,164,777	64,286,317
Armstrong,	29	27	12	12	14	17	31	22	10	8	5	5	192	2,455,591	165,742	2,238,094
Beaver,	19	23	20	20	16	24	27	10	16	17	10	13	215	2,553,458	219,768	2,514,758
Bedford,	9	13	10	9	3	5	7	3	1	6	5	9	80	151,415	92,132	89,535
Berks,	53	66	38	54	51	34	39	58	36	31	36	42	538	5,819,909	955,375	3,320,797
Blair,	53	61	45	44	25	26	66	37	22	25	29	33	466	1,968,314	119,388	1,271,765
Bradford,	10	11	7	11	11	13	15	31	4	8	15	12	148	492,941	175,701	300,576
Bucks,	7	18	19	7	17	5	19	29	16	16	11	12	176	1,145,043	179,550	983,826
Butler,	16	14	28	6	11	19	20	11	10	12	14	14	175	1,352,896	95,961	1,110,050
Cambria,	54	49	45	32	31	35	45	33	29	24	43	33	453	7,982,106	213,418	7,021,537
Cameron,	2	7	2	1	1	3	1	--------	1	2	2	6	28	3,010,667	140,543	1,515,041
Carbon,	2	13	7	1	10	5	10	--------	13	5	1	8	75	369,540	60,608	284,275
Centre,	7	12	6	8	7	8	9	13	9	5	8	8	100	3,041,516	166,354	2,684,905
Chester,	22	21	31	31	27	17	19	14	14	22	9	18	245	3,081,470	295,674	2,383,477
Clarion,	13	7	4	5	4	--------	9	14	14	2	3	4	79	509,924	143,304	360,015
Clearfield,	12	31	15	20	17	18	18	44	8	6	11	18	218	1,076,477	244,744	726,703
Clinton,	7	5	6	10	7	3	7	7	7	1	2	3	65	261,988	24,934	195,295
Columbia,	15	19	13	7	7	8	11	13	8	4	5	12	122	865,423	260,289	494,159
Crawford,	25	23	22	12	18	35	21	26	13	9	13	21	238	1,483,147	332,675	959,885
Cumberland,	7	17	7	46	15	13	6	17	7	7	4	11	157	725,183	105,087	533,113
Dauphin,	40	51	44	30	46	31	27	46	21	44	30	22	432	2,575,605	794,091	2,001,566
Delaware,	40	38	27	21	30	11	30	32	16	16	21	34	316	7,440,309	220,616	6,768,847
Elk,	8	6	6	5	13	4	5	14	5	5	5	5	81	488,503	94,819	385,900
Erie,	63	70	57	49	53	53	58	67	40	54	42	53	659	15,205,249	1,277,575	14,914,863
Fayette,	26	35	36	24	28	18	17	21	13	22	24	22	286	2,694,127	456,935	4,780,220
Forest,	1	1	3	4	--------	1	--------	--------	--------	4	--------	1	15	12,623	2,823	9,200
Franklin,	4	16	5	7	7	13	16	12	12	5	5	7	109	367,821	131,967	1,410,131
Fulton,	1	1	1	2	--------	2	--------	2	1	1	1	1	13	14,986	9,578	8,312
Greene,	2	1	1	2	--------	7	2	7	1	1	--------	2	26	393,746	57,556	155,625
Huntingdon,	8	8	8	6	10	5	4	9	8	4	6	6	82	6,524,502	124,709	268,261
Indiana,	10	17	23	1	19	19	13	12	20	16	8	8	166	1,025,051	394,924	631,244

Jefferson,	7	8	9	11	5	19	7	7	6	5	3	12	99	249,691	100,171	187,563
Juniata,	3	2	3	-------	2	4	-------	5	1	1	2	8	31	266,955	15,825	251,967
Lackawanna,	119	112	114	109	55	83	95	134	55	56	53	94	1,079	7,569,984	793,763	5,575,488
Lancaster,	32	44	36	54	27	20	14	54	9	19	14	25	348	3,065,602	446,945	2,304,561
Lawrence,	33	20	27	23	12	37	11	11	13	9	6	26	228	1,065,016	78,791	833,686
Lebanon,	8	9	4	2	4	9	9	16	11	2	4	2	80	311,556	57,710	171,104
Lehigh,	22	22	8	9	21	19	10	25	15	5	17	18	191	1,473,483	129,842	1,033,623
Luzerne,	90	86	105	109	77	69	73	91	65	72	65	119	1,021	14,002,294	1,543,310	11,417,602
Lycoming,	29	31	24	28	25	32	35	42	21	19	19	45	350	5,070,791	702,555	2,613,132
McKean,	23	41	21	22	23	16	11	28	11	13	18	19	246	1,058,104	152,421	863,773
Mercer,	27	43	34	36	24	27	28	40	28	25	18	35	365	3,315,504	267,354	2,782,869
Mifflin,	3	13	6	12	4	2	1	1	-------	3	7	5	57	146,876	36,924	101,680
Monroe,	7	2	4	7	4	4	10	9	-------	3	6	4	60	643,531	244,774	489,113
Montgomery,	36	57	25	28	42	35	20	36	24	23	21	21	368	4,419,189	657,414	2,107,581
Montour,	2	7	5	2	-------	1	2	-------	-------	2	2	4	27	179,515	3,669	102,660
Northampton,	35	17	21	15	18	22	38	36	19	15	14	15	265	4,392,849	222,161	3,988,316
Northumberland,	27	14	11	21	11	23	20	10	10	8	8	11	174	1,583,483	168,894	1,323,337
Perry,	5	4	4	3	4	1	-------	2	2	6	3	6	40	119,980	22,087	77,937
Pike,	1	1	3	2	2	-------	2	7	2	-------	4	2	26	58,856	24,043	43,210
Potter,	5	11	6	8	2	9	10	8	18	4	5	6	92	294,550	91,470	180,952
Schuylkill,	51	95	39	43	25	16	12	40	20	26	23	30	420	4,339,935	990,727	2,943,990
Snyder,	-------	2	1	2	-------	2	4	2	1	1	1	1	17	22,200	11,030	14,725
Somerset,	3	12	9	13	9	6	5	14	8	4	6	5	94	375,743	90,251	218,534
Sullivan,	1	4	1	2	1	2	4	6	1	-------	-------	-------	32	29,595	13,884	21,214
Susquehanna,	12	21	9	6	4	15	6	11	8	5	3	7	107	320,910	149,125	202,107
Tioga,	8	20	7	9	16	13	5	13	23	8	5	10	137	438,704	175,536	335,704
Union,	5	1	-------	2	1	6	1	5	2	3	2	2	30	54,907	6,223	47,332
Venango,	22	32	19	17	20	13	28	25	16	12	13	26	243	2,228,795	110,426	931,684
Warren,	16	24	11	9	10	23	17	13	11	3	8	7	152	1,132,770	131,882	893,080
Washington,	33	56	47	50	38	27	19	43	24	20	26	38	421	6,020,834	217,685	5,396,561
Wayne,	18	4	3	6	1	10	4	8	4	11	5	5	79	220,290	87,445	143,699
Westmoreland,	55	64	49	39	51	40	43	63	42	35	34	61	576	7,843,133	647,046	6,409,670
Wyoming,	2	3	2	-------	5	1	2	4	9	1	2	3	34	81,908	32,657	35,280
York,	26	29	28	12	14	22	17	37	10	20	17	18	250	3,230,872	166,377	2,927,816
Total,	1,484	1,796	1,419	1,338	1,146	1,208	1,219	1,643	939	908	925	1,246	15,271	$209,561,068	$17,363,605	$181,674,401

STATEMENT NO. 5.

CAUSES OF FIRES.

January 1, 1916 to December 31, 1916.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Adjoining,	228	178	183	148	134	87	109	134	129	205	114	208	1,857
Backfire,	17	10	17	10	16	17	13	19	17	20	22	15	193
Boiling tar,			6	1	4	1			1	1	1	1	16
Bonfire—rubbish,	4	8	11	15	12	6	12	11	11	15	10	5	120
Candle,	2	2	3	1	2	1	3	5	3	4		10	36
Cigar—cigarette,	9	8	6	5	9	11	8	7	6	6	7	11	93
Clothing near stove,	7	8	9	3	3				2	4	5	4	45
Defective flue,	185	215	186	106	92	39	42	47	77	93	141	198	1,421
Electric iron,		2		1	2	3		3	2	2	1		16
Electric wiring,	42	37	39	18	26	40	25	26	36	38	34	38	399
Explosion,	15							1				1	17
Fireworks,	7				1	6	73	1	1	1	1		84
Forge,			1	1	1	2	2			1	2		10
Friction,	4	2	5	3	2	1	5	5	5	5	2	2	41
Fumigating,		1								1	1		3
Gas explosion,	1	15	9	5	4	1	6	6	6	7	9	5	74
Gas jet,	34	28	57	20	25	18	17	12	18	18	31	22	300
Gas leak,	37	19	14	7	6	4	6	2	2	3	4	10	114
Gas stove,	4	12	11	3	3	3		4	2	6	5	4	57
Gasoline explosion,		15	10	14	5	8	5	4	2	8	4	10	85
Hot ashes,	25	33	29	11	8	6	5	1	3	7	14	19	161
Hot grease,	11	2	4	8	3	5	1	5	2	8	6	6	61
Hot metal,	3	6	5	4	5	2	3	2	2	3	9	6	50
Hunters,										1			1
Incendiary,	18	10	26	31	16	16	20	25	27	22	18	14	243
Kindling fire with oil,	2												2
Kindling in oven,			1										1
Lamps,	21	24	47	36	28	22	39	35	27	24	34	41	378
Lantern,		5	1	2	1	1	2	4	1	3	5	3	28
Lighting,		3	6	25	130	230	488	575	207	34	11	7	1,716
Matches,	116	100	105	98	68	53	68	84	65	95	78	108	1,038
Matches—children,	21	23	18	20	21	14	24	18	28	22	28	15	252
Melting wax,											2		2
Moving picture machine,									2				2

Oil engine,						1							1
Oil stove,	9	16	9	5	5	6	2	6	6	7	5	6	82
Oily rags and waste,	3											1	4
Open fire,	53	36	28	16	1 4	13	8	14	24	25	26	44	301
Open light,	72	18	45	10	33	30	44	34	26	57	38	22	429
Overheated furnace,	24	21	14	3	2	5	2	3	1	3	3	9	91
Overheated stove or pipe,	153	3 4	32	20	4	9	7	7	6	13	21	25	331
Singeing chickens,		1											1
Smoking,	16	26	25	23	27	24	29	28	23	32	22	30	305
Smoking meat,	10	8	4	6	2	1						5	36
Sparks,							14	7	7	7	6		41
Sparks—chimney,	44	2 2	77	99	104	39	36	32	51	71	54	53	682
Sparks—cupola,				3	1	2	1		2	2			11
Sparks—engine,			2	8	2			4	7	3	2		28
Sparks—forge,	1												1
Sparks—furnace,	4												4
Sparks—locomotive,	6	7	3	17	8	8	8	10	7	14	8	5	101
Sparks—smokestack,	5	5	4	2	4	3	3	6	3	3		7	45
Sparks—stove,	2	5	3	2								3	15
Spontaneous combustion,	8	12	12	12	7	11	20	19	14	17	10	11	153
Steam pipe,		1								1			2
Stove or stove pipe,		102	111	67	34	18	32	22	34	40	80	128	668
Suspicious,	3	6	5	5	11	11	4	17	10	11	11		94
Thawing pipes,	23	48	6	17								79	173
Torch,	4	1	3		3	1				1	2	1	16
Traction engine,	1												1
Tramps,	1	2			2		1		5	6	2	6	25
Undetermined,	299	260	328	284	228	174	222	233	247	308	287	291	3,161
Vulcanizing,								1		2	2		5
Xmas trees,	5												5
Total,	1,552	1,397	1,520	1,195	1,118	953	1,410	1,479	1,157	1,280	1,178	1,489	15,728

STATEMENT NO. 6.

CAUSES OF FIRES.

January 1, 1917 to December 31, 1917.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Adjoining,	200	282	204	213	138	89	93	130	113	104	95	166	1,827
Baby playing with bottle of gasoline near open fire,												1	1
Backfire,	8	6	8	5	9	7	5	7	4	2	8	6	75
Boiler explosion,											2		2
Boiling apple butter,								1					1
Boiling rosin,			1										1
Boiling tar,		1					1	2		1	3		8
Bonfire (rubbish),	5	1	16	31	19	3	2	3	3	8	18	4	113
Burning pitch,											1		1
Candle,			1	2	3	2	4	3	1	4		9	29
Carboy of acid,			1										1
Charcoal dust,							1						1
Cigar and cigarette,	5	8	11	12	12	7	10	10	5	9	6	11	106
Clothing near gas jet,								2					2
Clothing near stove,	5	5					6	3	1	3	5	5	33
Coal gas explosion,												1	1
Compressed air pipe explosion,									1				1
Defective flue,	184	263	157	110	109	43	40	47	67	70	87	153	1,330
Defective gas furnace,												1	1
Drying corn in oven,									1				1
Electric crane,		1											1
Electric iron,	1	1		1		5			1	4	1	1	15
Electric motor,	1												1
Electric wiring,	35	37	42	41	24	32	26	36	31	29	29	30	392
Explosion,	8	24	5	5	5	5	10	3	4	12	13	20	114
Explosion of Presto tanks,									1				1
Explosion of water back,												13	13
Film ignition,				1			1	1					3
Fireworks,						5	52	1					58
Forest fire,				1									1
Forge,							1						1
Friction,	5	6	2	5	4	3	1	1	3	7	3	1	41
Gas explosion,	1	2	3	3	1		3	1	2	3	4	2	25

Gas iron,		2	1	1		1	2		1				8
Gas jet,	51	33	30	30	29	18	19	17	12	22	21	34	316
Gas leak,	15	25	1 6	11	10	4	3	5	3	13	8	6	119
Gas plate,								1		1	1		3
Gas stove,	5	10	7	1	4	2	9	1	3		6	13	61
Gasoline engine,							1						1
Gasoline explosion,	3	10	5	5	1	6	4	4	4	3	4	5	54
Hot air pipe,	1												1
Hot ashes and coals,	20*	21	23	11	13	5	1	5	10	7	9	31	156
Hot coals,	6	3											9
Hot flat iron,						1							1
Hot flat iron in bed,												1	1
Hot grease,	8	7	5	9	3	6	8	12	4	8	8	4	82
Hot metal,	6	7	8	3	3	6	5	3	4	5	3	6	59
Hot water heater,								2		2		1	5
Incendiary,	14	11	23	17	17	6	10	11	23	13	16	12	173
Lamps,	49	34	33	23	33	10	18	27	32	30	24	6	319
Lanterns,			2	3			1	1		1	3	1	12
Lightning,	4	9	17	37	68	546	466	756	114	52	1		2,070
Matches,	122	86	91	105	97	61	65	72	61	70	95	83	1,008
Matches—children,	18	14	10	8	2	7	14	18	12	14	23	20	160
Matches—mice,	1	2							1	2	2	3	11
Miscellaneous,	2	3	4	3	8	6	4	5	9	13	7	16	80
Moving picture machine,	2	1							1			1	5
Naptha explosion,									1				1
Oil ignition,				4	9	15	13	4	4	4	1	13	67
Oil line leak,		1		1						1			3
Oil stove,	11	16	6	4	7	4	9	11	4	5	4	12	93
Open fire,	37	42	22	7	9	4	5	5	8	15	7	9	170
Open light,	77	121	54	36	34	21	41	37	29	42	32	65	589
Overheated baker's oven,					1	1					1		3
Overheated boiler,				2				2		1	1	2	8
Overheated converter,	1												1
Overheated corn shredder,											1		1
Overheated core oven,			1						1				2
Overheated drying box,												1	1
Overheated dry kiln,							1				2		3
Overheated furnace,	15	12	2	5	5	3	1		3	3	3	10	62
Overheated generator,							1						1
Overheated mangle,	1												1
Overheated oven,		2					2		2				6
Overheated tin pot,								1	1				2
Paint on stove,		1								1			2
Paper on stove,											1		1
Quenching tank,	1												1
Roasting coffee,													1
Sawdust ignition,				1								1	1
Short circuit,	4		2				4	1			1	2	14
Slacking lime,				1		1			1				3
Smoking,	15	19	25	37	31	19	22	28	18	6	6	1	227

CAUSES OF FIRES.

Januuary 1, 1917, to December 31, 1917.
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	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Smoking in bed,	2	3	1		1	2	1	3	4	1	2	3	23
Smoking meat,			10	3	4							2	19
Sparks,	39	54	89	158	133	42	33	41	33	26	36	35	710
Sparks, chimney,	23	42	23	4	1	10	7	15	23	19	34	18	219
Sparks, cinder car,												1	1
Sparks, cupola,	3	1			1	1	1	4	2	2	2		17
Sparks, electric motor,												1	1
Sparks, engine,	2			1	1		2	2	3	4	1	1	17
Sparks, forge,	2	2											4
Sparks, locomotive,	2	3	6	4	2	4	2	6	4	4	1	3	41
Sparks, picking machine,										1			1
Sparks, smokestack,			3			1	1	3	1	4		1	14
Sparks, toy electric railroad,												1	1
Spontaneous combustion,	8	8	12	3	10	4	7	17	11	19	7	4	110
Starting fire with kerosene,												1	1
Steam pipe,	3	4							1	1	1	2	12
Stove or stovepipe,	154	190	117	79	52	33	27	32	44	41	85	140	994
Stove polish ignited,			1							1			2
Suspicious,	2	12	7	7	4	5	4	11	4	7	2	3	68
Thawing pipes,	19	71	2									47	139
Torch,			2	4	5	1	2	1	1	5		1	22
Tramps,	2		1	1						2	1		7
Undetermined,	272	277	315	278	223	147	146	225	204	180	185	194	2,646
Vulcanizing,	1			1	1	4	1	3		1			12
Whiskey on stove,												1	1
Wood in oven,			1									1	2
Xmas trees,	3											5	8
Total,	1,484	1,796	1,419	1,338	1,146	1,208	1,219	1,643	939	908	925	1,246	15,271

STATEMENT No. 5.

NUMBER OF FIRES IN EACH COUNTY, SHOWING LOSS BY MONTHS.

January 1, 1916 to December 31, 1916.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

	Number of fires reported.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
Adams,	35	$1,301	220	152	$1,171	11,426	118			312	10	61,530	173	118,541
Allegheny,	1,585	11,395	11,455	91,777	11,550	156,681	60,911	132,067	136,000	26,066	373,111	66,953	122,313	1,041,645
Armstrong,	130	10,841	10,000	11,397	1,011	9,451	21,315	7,391	1,157	3,670	11,500	1,161	6,686	106,750
Beaver,	201	15,900	11,114	1,711	16,852	3,166	643	6,654	71,266	3,403	42,114	79,113	6,100	141,911
Bedford,	18	25,140	146	6,011	1,551	634	11,646	1,172	10,405	3,140	855	1,467	1,110	66,964
Berks,	113	120,311	11,664	11,311	70,180	3,166	3,553	11,384	11,651	11,001	11,111	11,110	10,609	322,161
Blair,	141	9,815	1,373	11,667	3,139	6,111	1,975	1,960	11,901	17,161	11,661	9,966	11,677	131,461
Bradford,	145	19,064	6,561	77,061	3,391	3,011	2,130	1,560	10,940	6,111	77,107	1,277	3,397	119,970
Bucks,	139	11,115	31,925	30,100	11,159	19,550	10,961	3,011	11,726	11,977	11,174	15,770	11,461	275,360
Butler,	105	1,041	1,311	6,685	7,406	171	11,064	1,843	7,860	10,811	11,193	1,161	11,345	119,962
Cambria,	401	16,613	11,130	5,061	11,317	21,867	19,862	7,151	11,067	4,011	29,421	22,401	79,381	220,661
Cameron,	87		61,110	91	39	101		37,170	65	811	15,111	611	3,111	140,119
Carbon,	13	22,525	417	3,401	10,773	1,111	13,111	6,164	6,521	210	1,654	201	23,861	141,771
Centre,	128	11,802	106,161	20,111	6,650	6,820	9,111	7,151	3,107	116	54,161	3,561	1,111	321,363
Chester,	273	31,500	17,874	10,673	31,166	3,779	5,634	6,166	31,621	36,442	61,971	13,317	6,142	275,751
Clarion,	147	9,150	32,255	3,672	11,111	13,866	3,267	1,920	11,111	11,878	1,179	1,711	6,687	150,271
Clearfield,	311	25,640	3,442	10,901	31,975	13,311	11,110	6,871	21,869	11,661	23,022	29,381	23,864	142,111
Clinton,	72	3,310	6,706	17,080	950	1,619	111	531	3,758	1,651	1,151	9	11,305	61,130
Columbia,	111	31,563	1,220	1,527	1,615	1,731	3,582	3,461	4,111	30,149	6,632	1,611	11,110	111,613
Crawford,	137	31,750	3,754	1,461	3,309	16,139	3,551	571	36,257	7,113	7,670	1,741	6,367	115,173
Cumberland,	111	12,001	3,321	1,154	23,630	97	3,454	3,610	16,541	3,920	88	8,609	6,533	65,111
Dauphin,	250	37,168	1,111	31,105	11,129	12,817	3,461	1,109	11,860	31,601	9,111	65,467	10,777	256,860
Delaware,	154	91,311	11,877	30,020	18,071	25,466	3,074	19,706	11,791	11,610	95,387	18,731	31,315	270,162
Elk,	11	31,070	10,950	1,541	1,725	31,750	3,678	311	3,861	88	1,625	1,023	7,961	106,174
Erie,	613	9,590	19,111	17,161	6,350	10,973	37,464	11,541	31,631	37,164	31,161	37,103	10,101	351,630
Fayette,	377	23,016	32,161	20,170	23,955	3,061	6,373	3,113	6,150	19,640	31,161	1,461	70,161	250,161
Forest,	16	1,904		650	1,111		160		3,421					10,611
Franklin,	101	3,525	56,450	6,670	3,415	3,811	727	11,771	6,750	1,150	4,337	3,611	1,001	110,150
Fulton,	21	91	150	310	1,524	1,467	3,661	300	1,002	2,010	3,654	1,155	110	11,606
Greene,	30	2,302	105,102	3,700	1,409	2,447	727	19	3,860	3,530	11		1,463	160,223
Huntingdon,	63	63,547	3,850	64,319	3,177	6,119	1,369	1,011	27,825	6,669	3,371	10,567	4,619	127,761
Indiana,	116	9,278	6,664	13,611	10,850	31,400	75,111	3,071	10,500	3,041	31,301	5,110	1,501	169,757
Jefferson,	136	4,151	6,463	6,751	37,021	1,966	3,466	13,511	11,616	11,541	11,112	3,564	1,111	164,611
Juniata,	16		132	33		3,467		1,162		1,140	6,110	1,549	761	16,777
Lackawanna,	1,197	60,847	101,111	56,965	31,102	31,997	23,110	31,362	56,412	56,130	77,115	67,063	31,561	771,290
Lancaster,	310	25,163	3,140	16,551	6,062	31,164	7,671	9,141	6,466	42,076	11,911	31,770	34,879	311,751
Lawrence,	271	16,075	6,472	11,911	3,013	7,437	3,526	1,111	125,621	141	3,111	6,913	142,860	443,470
Lebanon,	69	20,111	71	3,461	12,111	3,111	923	461	591	140	51	6,371	614	19,370
Lehigh,	341	11,780	1,859	11,114	3,156	20,101	11,061	11,605	1,368	6,807	1,561	11,561	6,110	111,124
Luzerne,	1,075	66,621	71,111	21,387	13,097	26,251	31,461	61,111	26,770	10,130	14,664	53,013	243,073	311,600
Lycoming,	161	10,540	119,668	11,477	67,075	641	3,253	9,837	23,109	13,642	73,737	7,604	70,640	111,610
McKean,	376	21,163	10,111	3,144	11,759	146,301	11,162	10,166	3,111	11,562	11,471	20,924	7,011	70,951
Mercer,	371	65,400	6,167	6,139	11,065	20,161	864	11,161	16,111	11,777	3,040	10,144	9,791	111,092
Mifflin,	13	92	1,740	727	11	66	671	3,116	39	1,102	146	2,066	6,113	19,122
Monroe,	65	7,062	10,077	10,047	11,750	30,116	62,719	471	77,962	31,079	3,350	1,546	1,110	150,355
Montgomery,	201	77,591	3,613	76,121	101,561	37,311	14,023	25,166	31,631	14,073	79,111	34,960	90,173	632,181
Montour,	11	3,251	546			6	3,331	3,130	31	151		149		11,111
Northampton,	251	30,915	1,097	11,311	63,132	11,779	917	6,140	3,300	31,323	30,021	11,706	25,160	311,107
Northumberland,	377	80,103	71,111	6,149	3,019	11,966	977	6,160	3,306	10,501	3,117	3,451	161,111	645,110
Perry,	68	21	7,956	3,311	3,760	1,141	1,350	3,707	1,761	3,564	471		3,115	11,973
Pike,	23		730	1,019		3,231		271	11	13,794	1,111	7,140	91	31,484
Potter,	110	160,159	3,477	76,010	1,143	9,674	3,362	150,561	3,090	11,565	6,524	1,131	1,655	467,913
Schuylkill,	615	61,724	12,731	63,011	1,951	3,040	16,063	1,926	10,977	11,123	9,111	29,113	13,563	301,777
Snyder,	75	39	175	8	37	649	314	6,110	13		11		1,665	10,591
Somerset,	101	6,161	3,140	2,802	13,016	10,022	5,160	13,371	32,975	21,761	65,150	5,511	60,068	125,160
Sullivan,	57	1,069	1,541	502	1,014			1,101	3,601	6,169	1,111	1,154	1,310	11,667
Susquehanna,	110	7,315	11,110	13,371	107	75	1,071	3,146	4,561	11,004	331	111,701	3,153	113,150
Tioga,	173	11,011	10,175	10,305	3,407	10,737	619	6,010	6,977	13,541	23,116	3,101	11,205	160,165
Union,	35	6,659	150	964	16,371	291	867	2,109	647	11,771	643	1,977	64	11,977
Venango,	250	11,651	33,952	11,401	34,149	6,451	19,158	6,167	11,756	1,469	16,669	6,752	67,116	610,673
Warren,	150	3,313	1,911	11,065	12,110	6,580	7,553	10,767	6,541	11,291	77,661	3,141	6,156	131,562
Washington,	375	6,250	65,146	31,290	25,113	75,651	3,522	11,640	33,136	67,737	30,142	11,669	11,310	670,673
Wayne,	88	6,768	6,111	10,115	531	7,115	3,125	311	16,101	11,110	7,110	91	31,373	150,673
Westmoreland,	625	30,173	35,054	45,467	6,502	110,906	37,660	31,001	37,660	36,951	35,663	31,044	35,641	149,351
Wyoming,	65	625	15	650		9,673	1,751	3,404	111	3,581	111	33	3,660	39,104
York,	377	11,142	6,113	3,110	3,473	73,051	3,150	25,163	11,645	13,111	19,560	170,511	6,341	307,361
Total,	15,759	$1,671,314	11,111,731	$1,111,625	$1,071,379	$1,112,794	$977,140	1,052,397	11,354,541	$1,016,611	11,491,752	$1,102,450	11,446,148	111,111,127

STATEMENT NO. 4

NUMBER OF FIRES IN EACH COUNTY, SHOWING LOSS BY MONTHS

January 1, 1917 to December 31, 1917.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

	Number of fires reported	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December	Total
Adams,	85	$14,468	$30	11,064	17,885	$458	$425	930	17,300	129,563	97,318	840	50,144	351,873
Allegheny,	1,348	127,598	125,962	141,152	51,665	20,860	109,111	18,635	86,854	22,160	55,509	129,647	135,152	1,164,777
Armstrong,	142	15,041	35,093	11,560	1,136	6,773	6,950	62,900	8,951	16,843	762	4,331	850	148,163
Beaver,	114	19,431	13,164	10,140	19,670	3,067	3,860	11,421	2,400	25,984	1,114	8,150	16,416	222,790
Bedford,	90	25,137	11,029	1,109	4,008	1,108	1,815	1,790	126	500	1,704	1,198	3,408	93,382
Berks,	520	125,871	100,161	81,178	60,520	25,037	129,880	31,701	16,644	13,887	41,110	120,480	80,968	868,279
Blair,	400	4,130	67,185	11,625	7,009	8,460	1,903	3,730	29,861	6,140	6,093	13,305	3,259	118,800
Bradford,	145	3,220	71,023	8,940	14,929	6,531	7,371	12,502	22,831	6,811	6,123	4,002	8,642	176,791
Bucks,	118	15,083	27,266	6,011	1,006	10,063	2,602	14,085	11,114	6,110	8,394	8,082	3,064	179,820
Butler,	111	10,143	8,950	8,143	3,125	4,020	1,807	3,370	14,009	8,500	8,881	8,670	9,147	86,001
Cambria,	452	82,754	31,900	8,170	11,101	41,911	3,169	11,271	4,023	14,485	16,850	30,080	7,019	213,118
Cameron,	20	180	90,125	1,010	4	22	2,609			201	6,700	87	84,018	180,343
Carbon,	73	820	1,400	31,227	6	1,191	201	21,791	1,807	1,189	125	1,643	260	60,846
Centre,	100	227	1,531	1,549	1,016	3,378	18,111	18,607	3,811	4,897	104,050	11,246	226	168,354
Chester,	315	3,433	31,964	63,263	27,889	19,058	1,501	31,672	4,071	53,811	27,770	6,118	21,260	298,021
Clarion,	72	82,437	1,550	1,272	3,915	6,818		1,253	1,165	11,881	6,000	4,210	107	143,464
Clearfield	116	38,732	54,244	4,250	23,670	8,547	6,467	7,363	23,987	10,280	1,500	16,700	17,894	241,811
Clinton	65	1,677	1,481	2,508	1,504	2,794	33	6,543	162	1,177	1,014	602	8	22,164
Columbia	122	73,654	104,705	4,701	6,674	4,908	12,454	1,651	11,734	1,893	1,164	8,041	1,827	280,290
Crawford,	238	15,843	20,658	11,153	1,016	109,030	11,720	21,808	91,772	6,564	10,166	548	10,466	322,673
Cumberland,	141	97	14,560	10,167	32,542	6,153	7,374	3,119	10,831	6,852	7,807	1,218	6,717	148,097
Dauphin	437	109,454	34,204	20,549	6,867	11,014	30,716	25,964	76,830	4,777	371,569	15,221	19,434	794,001
Delaware	310	25,033	81,843	17,130	11,150	11,095	11,122	44,306	10,613	22,896	16,445	11,762	6,904	280,818
Elk	81	2,114	1,467	143	4,487	83,678	828	406	67,299	8,788	4,081	432	635	94,318
Erie,	650	11,957	61,762	14,990	504,861	30,818	1,873	11,500	29,145	1,608	108,142	83,379	276,806	1,277,323
Fayette,	290	11,111	160,608	31,564	8,314	30,760	11,138	1,770	6,123	1,332	16,811	51,508	94,022	454,988
Forest,	14	14	17	562	901		460				651		108	4,853
Franklin	110	232	1,427	1,549	7,137	777	3,468	70,090	11,801	18,177	2,433	3,135	3,000	133,967
Fulton,	16	77	16	160	4,730		251		1,652	6,500	85	104	6	8,370
Greene	20	16	14	9	2,170		3,200	19	44,109	14	1,800		1,220	57,556
Huntingdon,	82	20,112	5,677	675	20,134	16,307	4,504	3,320	4,489	4,421	11,900	6,495	6,321	120,759
Indiana,	100	2,111	9,481	11,575	200,060	35,077	9,079	1,109	1,081	10,673	25,530	2,530	10,126	304,501
Jefferson,	62	170	1,160	4,550	6,610	6,151	4,065	3,373	1,171	1,530	1,144	944	64,730	100,171
Juniata,	31	4,068	10	1,277		1,600	3,808		459	65	3	1,050	1,914	15,825
Lackawanna	1,072	41,540	122,544	72,200	99,879	31,000	104,150	43,735	42,164	27,620	29,901	34,343	66,678	790,710
Lancaster,	359	67,778	107,675	11,158	54,023	30,132	14,824	75,234	67,640	1,221	11,421	14,000	35,081	446,985
Lawrence,	129	11,561	1,111	1,910	21,001	1,805	4,605	130	6,177	11,829	854	60	11,096	79,791
Lebanon,	80	10,131	2,170	68	611	1,526	4,404	8,537	14,721	2,145	87	6,230	615	57,710
Lehigh,	191	4,806	29,559	3,145	7,122	28,910	4,023	13,363	11,111	12,161	3,646	6,112	3,782	130,044
Luzerne	1,071	140,220	12,253	167,115	225,899	90,868	26,085	91,200	41,763	51,085	12,676	27,180	341,016	1,246,316
Lycoming	340	23,004	12,525	1,104	20,906	11,451	18,360	111,225	101,643	71,097	16,422	15,908	241,863	702,336
McKean,	116	10,491	24,118	7,374	7,832	19,808	4,901	1,663	27,830	1,878	23,095	1,960	18,874	153,421
Mercer,	193	6,798	19,128	1,291	77,022	7,646	22,076	1,862	11,518	1,992	56,114	14,653	19,677	297,351
Mifflin,	57	182	11,962	6,624	11,918	132	41	6	230		1,006	1,329	1,546	36,161
Monroe,	60	6,707	11	7,111	16,624	61	107,300	379	4,771		1,594	14,500	1,960	241,771
Montgomery	509	32,555	15,339	720,100	67,365	85,811	22,720	14,511	92,303	46,721	15,505	60,133	16,540	651,151
Montour,	27	8	821	111	6		60	3,034			22	30	201	4,609
Northampton	202	25,511	17,122	4,675	77,490	21,073	9,080	14,451	17,454	23,721	4,943	27,200	11,764	257,103
Northumberland,	111	30,654	1,153	4,425	13,800	6,842	14,709	11,130	4,198	6,040	30,778	1,310	6,186	140,444
Perry,	40	1,736	3,531	6,720	1,504	1,260	60		148	498	3,140	60	6,072	22,407
Pike	36	20	23	8,119	130	796		8,310	1,908	5,784		1,305	1,439	34,043
Potter	97	4,051	29,190	3,770	2,146	1,500	1,042	4,300	8,305	6,125	266	3,441	6,145	91,170
Schuylkill	451	121,000	210,140	94,514	15,326	60,871	99,800	1,048	79,471	14,811	12,129	15,000	19,322	690,727
Snyder	11		18	1,200	109	14	208	3,164	1,677	4,000	3	1,200	60	11,600
Somerset,	61	1,301	90,110	30,765	2,270	1,465	6,106	211	4,307	9,083	3,175	1,211	2,177	155,251
Sullivan	22	111	1,001	111	970	14	250	4,087	1,250	104				10,804
Susquehanna	107	11,600	11,304	1,098	2,163	139	12,120	141	1,088	605	6,083	158	67,339	149,134
Tioga	147	8,592	41,081	6,391	6,018	17,226	6,105	2,460	10,855	50,710	2,054	210	4,111	179,539
Union	20	1,294	225		1,347	411	446	3	31	60	2,045	37	25	8,223
Venango	118	2,163	12,771	2,000	7,808	1,796	4,410	1,109	11,053	11,996	6,696	8,000	31,036	130,636
Warren	134	11,253	45,068	11,430	6,083	1,194	10,077	11,110	13,171	6,855	632	111	1,172	111,092
Washington	111	12,171	11,301	37,292	1,950	31,797	6,463	4,900	11,691	6,226	11,539	10,802	32,432	217,093
Wayne	72	44,500	116	502	6,122	200	4,148	1,670	3,133	2,363	10,790	1,309	94	87,113
Westmoreland	478	11,231	82,145	67,145	4,073	11,814	1,210	6,090	14,820	44,906	49,066	210,500	149,730	641,044
Wyoming	31	8,778	31	1,164		1,381	8	1,314	660	11,114	1,141	662	6,250	32,981
York	250	11,373	15,770	83,823	25,812	3,011	1,663	1,140	19,820	2,045	1,731	12,616	60,421	205,279
Total	15,771	$1,304,271	$2,410,830	$1,964,700	$2,032,333	$925,532	$840,727	$611,773	$1,215,840	$893,367	$1,273,640	$1,111,423	$2,250,334	$11,308,625

STATEMENT NO. 7.

CLASS OF STRUCTURES DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY FIRE.

January 1, 1916 to December 31, 1916.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Alms houses,						1	1			1			3
Apiaries,			1										1
Arches,	1												1
Asylums,								3					3
Automobiles,	21	13	24	10	22	28	22	25	23	26	26	15	255
Bakeries,	5	2	3	5	4	3	1	1	5	4	5	2	40
Banks,	5	3	1	2	1	3	2	1	2	2	3	2	27
Barns,	69	54	65	94	107	75	198	277	154	132	109	91	1,425
Bath houses,	1		1										2
Boats,				1						2			3
Boat houses,	1	4				2		1					8
Bottling works,				1	1			1		1		1	5
Bowling and billiard halls,	6	6	3	2	1	8	6	1	6	5	7	4	55
Breweries,	4	1	4	3			1	4	3			1	21
Bridges,							1	1	1	1			4
Cars and car barns,			3		4	2	5	3	6	9	5	1	38
Chemical works,		1		1	1	2		3	1	2	1		12
Chicken houses,	4	1	4	3	3	3	5	1	1	4	2	1	32
Churches,	8	5	11	10	12	11	25	18	12	7	11	15	145
Closets,			1					1					2
Club houses,	3	7	9	2	5	2			5	2	4	2	41
Coal breakers,	2	3	2	1	1	2	6	1	3	2	2	8	33
Coal houses,				1	1	3	1	1		3	3	2	15
Coal tipples,	3	1	1	4	1	5	9	5	3	4	7		43
Coal yards,			3									2	5
Colleges,						2		2				2	6
Corn cribs,												1	1
Court houses,					2			1					3
Creameries,						1			1		1		3
Dry houses,		1											1
Dwellings,	935	881	1,026	750	686	547	809	836	712	768	738	970	9,658
Engine houses,		2		1					1			1	5
Fences,				1			1					1	3

CLASS OF STRUCTURES DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY FIRE.

January 1, 1916, to December 31, 1916.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

STATEMENT NO. 7.—Continued.

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Fire houses,	6				1	1							8
Fishing plants,		1						1					2
Flour mills,	4	1	3		2	2	2	1	1		1	1	18
Fodder stacks,											1		1
Foundries,	4			3	3			2	1	2	2	2	19
Freight cars,	7	3		4								4	18
Garages,	10	13	10	7	9	8	12	14	8	14	10	19	134
Green houses,			2								1	1	4
Gymnasiums,					1		1		1				3
Halls,	6			1				3	2	1	1		14
Hay stacks,											1	2	3
Hospitals,	2		1				1	1		2	1		8
Hotels,	32	33	42	23	20	16	18	13	14	20	23	27	281
Ice cream parlors,									1				1
Ice houses,	2	1			1	1	3	1	4	1	1		15
Incinerating plants,					1								1
Laundries,	1				1			1	2			1	6
Lodge rooms,	4	2	4		2	3	2	1	4	2	4	4	32
Lumber yards,		4		1	3		2			2	1	2	15
Manufactories,	43	32	52	44	30	32	50	31	30	51	31	37	463
Marble yards,		1											1
Meat markets,		1		2									3
Milk houses,							1						1
Motion picture theatres,	3	1	2	3	2	1	1	3	2	3	4	4	29
Offices,	12	10	4	5		2	1	1	1	2	3	5	46
Oil tanks,	1												1
Oil works,	2	1		3		3	4	5	2	2	1	1	24
Orphanages,					2	1	1			1		1	6
Packing houses,			2		3	1	1					1	8
Park buildings,			1		1		1					1	4
Photo galleries,		2			1		1	1	1				6
Pig pens,		1	1		2					1	2		7
Pigeon houses,									1				1
Pitch tanks,										1			1

Planing mills,						1	1		1	1		2	6
Play houses,		1											1
Post offices,							2			2	1		5
Power houses,	3	5	3		1	1		1	1	3	4	5	27
Printing establishments,		4	1	1		3	1	1	1	1		1	14
Pumping stations,					1			1					2
Railroad stations,		2					1					2	5
Restaurants,	7	3	3	9	3	2	6	10	2	7	3	6	61
Round houses,				1									1
Saloons,	9	6	11	9	1	5	1	5	1	6	7	5	66
Saw mills,	1			1	5		2	2	3	2		2	18
Schools,	15	18	10	7	3	7	14	12	7	11	10	10	124
Sheds,	4	2	10	6	6	3	9	10	4	9	4	4	71
Sheep houses,								1					1
Shops,	9	11	14	10	14	12	12	20	8	11	10	6	137
Show tents,								1					1
Silos,										1			1
Skating rinks,								1					1
Slaughter houses,	3				1			1		1			6
Smoke houses,	12	10	7	5	3	1					2	4	44
Spring houses,		1	1				1				1	1	5
Stock yards,			1										1
Stone crushers,					1							1	2
Stone yards,			1										1
Storage houses,	6	9	5	9	7	11	12	8	11	5	4	6	93
Stores,	208	156	131	102	99	99	102	93	64	90	78	151	1,375
Stores and dwellings,	57	63	28	36	30	29	38	34	33	37	34	36	455
Summer houses,		4	3	6	1		1	3	1	4	4	1	28
Tanneries,						1	2	1		1			5
Telephone exchanges,							2	1	1				4
Theatres,		1		1	2	1		2	3		1	5	16
Tool houses,	1			2		1	2					1	7
Town halls,							1				1		2
Wagons,			1										1
Warehouses,	8	7	4	2	2	5	3	5	2	7	2	2	49
Watch boxes,		1											1
Water works,										1			1
Wood houses,	2	1			1							3	7
Y. M. C. A. buildings,							2						2
Total,	1,552	1,397	1,520	1,195	1,118	953	1,410	1,479	1,557	1,280	1,178	1,489	15,728

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	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Alms houses,	1	1											2
Apartment houses,	1		3	5	1	1		2				1	14
Asylums,							2			1			3
Automobiles,	16	8	18	8	13	18	12	24	15	16	12	12	172
Bake ovens,					1								1
Banks,		2		1		1	1	1	3	1	1	1	12
Barns,	69	57	72	152	111	144	103	309	90	67	66	40	1,280
Bath houses,					1					1	1		3
Bathing rooms,				1									1
Boat houses,			1							1			2
Boiler houses,	1	1	1	1				1				2	7
Bottling works,			2	3	1		1						7
Bowling and billiard rooms,	4	6	1	6	6	3	1		1	3	3	2	36
Bridges,	1		1	3		1		1					7
Bridge cranes,		1											1
Brooders,					2								2
Charcoal kilns,		1											1
Chicken houses,				6	3		2	2	1	4	1	2	21
Churches,	10	21	8	7	8	25	13	30	10	3	2	14	151
Cleaning and dyeing works,	1	2		2	1		1	1			1	2	11
Club houses,		3	2	2	7	1	2	1	2	2	2	5	29
Coal breakers,	1	9			1	2			2	1		3	19
Coal chutes,					1								1
Coal hoists,								1					1
Coal tipples,	5	4	6	2	4	10	2	6	2	4	2	5	52
Coal trestles,							1		1	1			3
Coal yards,		1	1	3		1							6
Colleges,	1	1	4				2	1	1				10
Convents,				1		1						1	3
Corn cribs,			1									1	2
Court houses,	1												1
Creameries,			1	1		2		1		1	1		7
Dance halls,			1										1

Depots (R. R.),	1	1								1		3	6
Dry kilns,							1	1					2
Dryer houses,						1							1
Dwellings,	918	1,146	918	778	710	751	796	959	538	538	581	814	9,447
Electric poles,			1										1
Engine (round) houses,		1		1	2				2	1			7
Fair-ground buildings,			1	1			2		1				5
Fan house,				1									1
Farm crops in field,		4	2					4	1	2	2		15
Farm implements,				1			1	3	1	1			7
Farm out-buildings,	3	6								1	2	1	13
Fences,					2								2
Fire-department houses,	1	1	1		1			2			1		7
Floaters,		1	1		1	1	2	1	1		1	5	14
Freight cars,	1	1	6	2	3	1		4			1	1	20
Freight houses,	2					1			1			1	5
Fruit evaporators,								1					1
Garages,	15	19	13	17	8	13	11	19	14	16	15	19	179
Gas-engine houses,		1											1
Gasoline engines,				1									1
Gasoline tanks,							1						1
Grain elevators,				2									2
Green houses,			2	3	2						1		8
Hay presses,												1	1
Hospitals,			1		1	2	2	2		1	1	2	12
Hotels,	26	30	23	22	17	15	16	20	19	19	11	31	249
Ice houses,		1		1	1	1	2	3			1	1	11
Laundries,	3	2	1		2		1	1	3		2		15
Libraries,		1						1					2
Lime kilns,				1									1
Lodge rooms,	8	4		2	5	1	1	3	3	2	1	5	35
Lumber yards,	3	1		2	6			2		1			15
Manufactories:													
Agricultural implements,						2		2				3	7
Ammunition,			1	1									2
Asbestos,			1										1
Automobiles,			1			1		1				2	5
Bakeries,	2	7	3	5	3	1	1	4	5	2	5	2	40
Boilers,				2									2
Boot and shoe,			1				1		2	1			5
Boxes,			3		2								5
Brass,				1									1
Breweries,			2					2			1	1	6
Brick,				5		1					2	1	9
Bromo mint,						1							1
Brushes,												1	1
Cars,				1									1
Carbon,					1								1
Carriages,			1		1								2
Cement,				1					2				3

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	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Manufactories—Continued.													
Cereal,							1						1
Chairs,			1										1
Chemicals,	3	1	2	2	2	2	1	2				1	16
Cigars,					1								1
Clothing,			1										1
Coal bins,					1								1
Concrete,										1			1
Concrete pipe,					1								1
Confectionery,					1		1					1	3
Cork,												1	1
Corsets,				1									1
Cotton,				1						1			2
Electric,	6	2	4		3		4		1	3	2	2	27
Engines,			1										1
Fertilizer,					2				1				3
Forge bolts,										1			1
Foundries,			6	7	10	9	4	6	6	6	3	5	62
Furniture,				2	2	1							5
Gas,							1	1		2			4
Glass,			3			1	3					2	9
Grist and flour mills,	1	2		1	2	1	5	2	1	2	10		27
Hardware,				5									5
Hemp mills,							1			1			2
Hosiery mills,											1	1	2
Ice,			1										1
Iron,						3		1					4
Knitting mills,			1				1	1		1			4
Machines,			1	1									2
Mattresses,						1							1
Miscellaneous,	45	47	5	3	6	6	5	13	11	18	14	10	183
Motors,					1								1
Mouldings,								1					1
Nails,					1								1

Nitro-glycerine,							1						1
Oil refineries,			2	3									5
Oil works,	1	2				1					3		7
Paint,				1			1					1	3
Paper,			1	1	2		1						5
Pencils,				1									1
Pen-holders,										1			1
Planing mills,			3	3	1	2	2	1			1	3	16
Potato chips,												1	1
Potteries,			1										1
Rolling mills,								1		1			2
Rugs,								1					1
Saw mills,	1	2	2	4	1		2		2	1			15
Sewing machines,										1			1
Ship yards,							1		2				3
Shirts,									1			1	2
Soft drinks,												1	1
Spokes,				2									2
Springs,										1			1
Stamping works,								1		2			3
Steel,			6	4	4	2	2		3			2	23
Stone yards,			1				1		1				3
Stoves,			1										1
Stove polish,			1										1
Sugar,				1									1
Tanneries,				1		1						1	3
Tile,										1			1
Tin,									1				1
Tobacco,						1							1
Tools,						1							1
Towels,							2			1			3
Toys,			1							1			2
Whiting,										1			1
Woolens,						3							3
Vinegar,					1								1
Market houses,	2												2
Milk stations,										1		2	3
Mission houses,											1		1
Motor cycles,				1									1
Motion picture theatres,		2		1			3		2	4	1	2	15
Office buildings,	5	11	7	4	5	8	1	5	1	2	4	4	57
Oil derricks,									1				1
Oil supply houses,		1				1			1	1	1		5
Oil tanks,	1								2			1	4
Oil wells,	3												3
Orphanages,						1			1	1			3
Packing houses,			1							1		1	3
Photo galleries,			2	1	1								4
Pitch houses,											1		1
Pleasure resorts,	1												1

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	Jan	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Printing establishments,		1	3			1	3	2	1	2	5	3	21
Prisons,			1					1					2
Pumping stations,			1		1			1					3
Railroad passenger coaches,	2												2
Railroad ties,					1								1
Restaurants,	8	5	2	2	6	4	6	5	6	8	9	2	63
Saloons.	11	12	14	11	4	4	5	8	4	4	9	2	88
Sanatoriums,		3						1					4
Schools,	12	28	11	11	3	9	13	10	3	3	1	5	109
Season dwellings,						1	1	1	3	3	4		13
Seed houses,	3												3
Service stations,						1							1
Sheds.	1	10	12	8	14	4	6	7	6	6	5	7	86
Shops:													
Barber,		1	1	2		2	1			2	2		11
Blacksmith,	2	4	3	3		2	3	3		1	1	2	24
Car repair,		1								1			2
Carpenter,	2	3	4		4	3	1	1		1	2	3	24
Carriage repair,							4						4
Junk,	1				1	1	1	1		1			6
Machine,	3	4	6	2	3	4	1	1	2	2	2	8	38
Paint,			1	1	1		1						4
Plumbing,					3	3	1	2				1	10
Repair,	1		1			1							3
Shoemaker,				1						1			2
Tailor,						1	1	2					4
Tin,				1	1				1	1			4
Upholstering,								1					1
Shrubbery,				1									1
Slaughter houses,					1		1					1	3
Smoke houses,	9	7	5	3	5	1		2			1	2	35
Soldiers and sailors homes,				1									1
Stock yards,			1										1
Stone crushers,	1		2		2								5

Storages,	7	34	10	15	8	8	4	9	4	3	8	4	114
Stores,	194	201	161	156	108	89	95	95	118	88	94	127	1,526
Stores and dwellings,	39	56	9		2	9	33	21	21	20	14	44	268
Street railway cars and property,			2			2		3		2	1	2	12
Summer houses,				2		1	1	1					5
Telegraph exchanges,			1										1
Tents,								1					1
Theatres,	12	2	2	7		3	1	3	5	4		2	41
Tool houses,	2	2	1	1			1		3	1	1	1	13
Town halls,		1				1	3	3	1	1			10
Trestles,											1		1
Vessels,			1		1		1		1	1	1		6
Wagons,				1	1								2
Ware houses,	3	2	2	2			5	1	1	1	1	1	19
Wash houses,	6	2	1			4		3		2	1		19
Watch towers,						1							1
Water tanks,	1	2										1	4
Water works,				1									1
Wharf risks,				1				1					2
Y. M. C. A. rooms,								1					1
Total,	1,484	1,796	1,419	1,338	1,146	1,208	1,219	1,643	939	908	925	1,246	15,271

STATEMENT No. 9.

MATERIALS USED IN CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY FIRE.

January 1, 1916, to December 31, 1916.
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	Wood.	Brick.	Stone.	Concrete.	Wood and brick.	Wood and stone.	Brick and stone.	Other materials.	Totals.
January,	1,166	331	13	4	9	1	--------	28	1,552
February,	1,080	277	15	3	3	4	2	13	1,397
March,	1,157	303	12	9	5	8	--------	26	1,520
April,	952	197	8	5	9	13	--------	11	1,195
May,	889	183	3	3	8	7	3	22	1,118
June,	727	178	4	3	2	6	5	28	953
July,	1,142	213	15	6	4	5	3	22	1,410
August,	1,198	219	11	3	9	12	1	26	1,479
September,	916	184	11	5	5	7	--------	29	1,157
October,	984	235	12	3	5	9	3	29	1,280
November,	921	201	7	2	10	5	2	30	1,178
December,	1,150	285	15	2	13	2	1	21	1,489
Totals,	12,282	2,806	126	48	82	79	20	285	15,728

STATEMENT No. 10.

MATERIALS USED IN CONSTRUCTION OF BUILDINGS DESTROYED OR DAMAGED BY FIRE.

January 1, 1917, to December 31, 1917.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

	Wood.	Brick.	Stone.	Concrete.	Wood and brick.	Wood and stone.	Brick and stone.	Other materials.	Automobiles.	Totals.
January,	1,092	322	20	2	10	6	3	13	16	1,484
February,	1,379	357	10	2	7	13	5	15	8	1,796
March,	1,126	247	12	2	3	1	1	11	18	1,419
April,	1,061	243	14	3	--------	--------	1	8	8	1,338
May,	894	211	14	2	3	2	2	13	13	1,146
June,	929	234	8	2	4	2	6	5	18	1,208
July,	958	224	4	1	5	7	--------	8	12	1,219
August,	1,260	296	17	3	7	9	10	17	24	1,643
September,	685	209	6	3	3	4	3	11	15	939
October,	680	168	11	5	8	9	3	8	16	908
November,	698	174	12	2	9	6	2	10	12	925
December,	927	249	18	6	14	10	1	9	12	1,246
Totals,	11,689	2,934	146	33	73	69	37	128	172	15,271

STATEMENT NO. 11.

LIGHTNING FIRES REPORTED, AND LOSS OF PROPERTY DESTROYED OR DAMAGED.

January 1, 1916 to December 31, 1916.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

Month.	Number of fires—Buildings not rodded.	Loss.	Number of fires—Buildings rodded.	Loss.
January,				
February,	3	$110		
March,	6	3,480		
April,	25	12,906		
May,	129	56,911	1	$100
June,	228	86,263	2	6,200
July,	488	165,727		
August,	571	381,420	4	16,110
September,	204	121,545	3	2,841
October,	34	12,838		
November,	11	16,382		
December,	7	5,250		
Totals,	1,706	$862,022	*10	$25,251

*Rodding on three buildings defective.

STATEMENT NO. 12.

LIGHTNING FIRES REPORTED, AND LOSS OF PROPERTY DESTROYED OR DAMAGED.

January 1, 1917 to December 31, 1917.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

Month.	Number of fires—Buildings not rodded.	Loss.	Number of fires—Buildings rodded.	Loss.
January,	4	$881		
February,	9	1,480		
March,	17	2,902		
April,	37	17,551		
May,	67	24,503	1	$10
June,	546	191,532		
July,	463	111,386	3	12,482
August,	750	463,261	6	10,648
September,	114	68,731		
October,	52	17,012		
November,	1	5		
December,				
Totals,	2,060	$899,244	*10	$23,140

*Rodding on two buildings defective.

STATEMENT NO. 13.

INSPECTIONS.
ORDERS ISSUED FOR REMOVAL OR REMEDY OF FIRE HAZARDS.

January 1, 1916 to December 31, 1916.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

Character of Order.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.
Removal or general repairs of dilapidated buildings,	1	2	1	2	3	3	6	3	2	5	1		29
Removal of rubbish,	29	66	47	25	78	40	83	105	51	59	60	63	706
Install fire extinguishers, sand or water buckets,	9	10	21	9	24	16	6	4	18	20	17	16	170
Repair or construct new chimneys,				1	36		1		1	3	2	4	48
Change or repair heating arrangement,									1	1	1	1	4
Change or repair defective electric wiring,									1	1	1		3
Removal of explosive oils from buildings,	3	6	2		5	2	5	4	3	2	2	7	41
Place fireproof protection about stoves and furnaces,		3	3			1	1	1	3	2		7	21
Repair roof,			2							2	1	1	6
Recommended—Furnish or repair fire escapes,		3	2		1			2		1	1	1	11
Property found in good condition,	99	149	66	43	212	185	147	226	141	179	287	249	1,983
Totals,	141	239	144	80	359	247	249	345	221	275	372	350	3,022

STATEMENT NO. 14.

INSPECTIONS.
ORDERS ISSUED FOR REMOVAL OR REMEDY OF FIRE HAZARDS.

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Buildings Inspected.	Number of inspections.	Removal or general repairs of dilapidated buildings.	Repair roof.	Repair or construct new chimneys.	Change or repair lighting arrangement.	Change or repair heating arrangement.	Change or repair defective electric wiring.	Removal of rubbish and regulate disposal.	Removal of explosive oils from buildings.	Removal of explosives.	Install fire extinguishers, sand or water buckets.	Place fireproof protection about stoves and furnaces.	Total.	Property found in good condition.
Banks,	6													6
Barber shops,	124	3						17				1	21	114
Barns and stables,	146	119		1		1	1	57		3			182	10
Breweries,	1													1
Churches,	2													2
Club and lodge rooms,	51	2		1	1		2	9	1				16	36
Dwellings,	266	68	2	19	4	4		73	3	4		12	189	110
Dye works,	2										1		1	1
Flour and feed mills,	151	2						9	1		31	2	45	198
Garages,	177	12	1	1	3	2		27	7		12	2	67	130
Hair dressing shops,	8							1					1	7
Hospitals,	1													1

INSPECTIONS.
ORDERS ISSUED FOR REMOVAL OR REMEDY OF FIRE HAZARDS.

January 1, 1917 to December 31, 1917.
(Exclusive of Philadelphia and Pittsburgh.)

STATEMENT NO. 14—Continued.

Buildings Inspected.	Number of inspections.	Removal or general repairs of dilapidated buildings.	Repair roof.	Repair or construct new chimneys.	Change or repair lighting arrangement.	Change or repair heating arrangement.	Change or repair defective electric wiring.	Removal of rubbish and regulate disposal.	Removal of explosive oils from buildings.	Removal of explosives.	Install fire extinguishers, sand or water buckets.	Place fireproof protection about stoves and furnaces.	Total.	Property found in good condition.
Hotels,	200	2		3	4	1	2	14				2	28	178
Laundries,	58	2			1	1		5					9	49
Manufactories:														
Box,	3										1		1	2
Brick,	2	1											1	1
Carpet,	4													4
Confectionery,	7													7
Drugs,	1													1
Farm implements,	12										1		1	11
Furniture,	4													4
Glassware,	3													3
Gloves,	1													1
Hosiery,	29										1		1	28
Iron and metals,	5													5
Leather supplies,	11							2					2	9
Mills—miscellaneous,	2													2
Miscellaneous,	101	1			1			3	2		8		15	86
Paints and oils,	5													5
Rubber,	9								1				1	8
Shoes,	2													2

Silk mills,	12										2		2	10
Soap,	1													1
Tanneries,	9	2						2					4	5
Tobacco,	42							7					7	35
Toys,	2										1		1	1
Underwear,	27	1									2		3	24
Woolen mills,	10	1											1	9
Office buildings,	195	2		1			2	14	1				20	176
Paint shops,	1													1
Photograph studios,	2													2
Planing mills,	18	2									2		4	14
Plumbing shops,	45	4			1			4	1				10	36
Pool rooms,	33							4					4	29
Printing establishments,	46							3					3	43
Repair and machine shops,	104	2			1	2		13	2		3		23	82
Restaurants,	172	3		2				9	1		1		16	155
Schools,	34						1	2			1		4	30
Storage and warehouses,	340	25	1	3	12	2	2	40	1	1	15	4	106	236
Stores:														
Clothing,	253			1		1		19			7		28	223
Confectionery,	303	3					1	28	1			1	34	268
Creamery and produce,	44			1		1		7					9	36
Drugs,	220	1			1			38	1		1		42	180
Dry goods,	158	1				1	1	19			11		33	127
Electrical supplies,	45							13	1		2	1	17	27
Flour and feed,	35							2					2	33
Furniture,	134	2				1		22	1		5		31	102
General,	485	3		2		2		61	8		6	1	83	405
Grocery,	891	1		1	1	3	3	134	19	1	3		166	760
Hardware,	190							10	1		2		13	176
Jewelry,	83							9			1		10	73
Liquor,	4	1											1	3
Meat markets,	104	3						12	1		1		17	89
Millinery,	65							8					8	57
Miscellaneous with upper occupancy,	894	9		15	8	12	13	144	15	1	1	7	225	712
Music,	2													2
Shoes,	223	3			1	2		15	1		1		23	209
Tobacco,	161							9		1	1		11	151
Wall paper and stationery,	56					1		11			2		14	44
Tailor shops,	156				1	2	1	18					22	136
Telegraph offices,	3													3
Theatres,	83	3		1	1	3	1	12					21	62
Totals,	7,079	284	4	52	41	42	30	906	70	11	126	33	1,599	5,699

STATEMENT NO. 15. INVESTIGATION OF

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Township.		
Armstrong,	Mahoning township,	Mar. 6, 1916,	Frame—store,
Armstrong,	Ford City,	Jan. 5, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Armstrong,	East Franklin township,	June 22, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Armstrong,	Kittanning,	Sept. 9, 1916,	Brick—store,
Beaver,	Industry township,	Aug. 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Berks,	Reading,	Feb. 14, 1916,	Brick—dwelling,
Berks,	West Reading,	Mar. 11, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Berks,	Reading,	July 23, 1916,	Frame-iron—dye works,
Berks,	Mohnton,	July 29, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Berks,	Cumru township,	July 29, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Blair,	Snyder township,	Mar. 5, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Blair,	Logan township,	Mar. 2, 1916,	Frame—workshop,
Blair,	Altoona,	Mar. 28, 1916,	Frame—factory,
Blair,	Altoona,	May 21, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Blair,	Logan township,	Sept. 6, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Blair,	Bellwood,	Sept. 7, 1916,	Frame—store,
Bradford,	Athens,	Oct. 18, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Bradford,	Leroy township,	Oct. 19, 1916,	Threshing machine,
Bradford,	Athens,	Dec. 21, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Bucks,	Plumstead township,	April 4, 1916,	Frame-stone—stable,
Bucks,	Milford township,	Mar. 3, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Bucks,	East Rockhill township,	May 8, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Bucks,	Yardley,	Sept. 17, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Bucks,	Richland township,	Oct. 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Bucks,	Sellersville,	Oct. 6, 1916,	Frame-stone—barn,
Bucks,	Newtown,	Dec. 26, 1916,	Stone—barn,
Bucks,	Yardley,	April 15, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Butler,	Butler,	Mar. 10, 1914,	Brick—theatre,
Butler,	Donegal township,	June 23, 1916,	Frame—store,
Butler,	West Jackson township,	Oct. 8, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Cambria,	West Carroll township,	April 30, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Cambria,	Carrolltown,	May 1, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
Cambria,	Patton,	May 22, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Cambria,	East Taylor township,	Aug. 13, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Carbon,	Palmerton,	Mar. 11, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Carbon,	Lansford,	Oct. 8, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Centre,	Philipsburg,	Oct. 29, 1916,	Brick—theatre-lodge room,
Centre,	Philipsburg,	Feb. 2, 1916,	Brick—store,
Centre,	Gap Spring township,	Mar. 20, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Centre,	Philipsburg,	April 13, 1916,	Brick—theatre,
Centre,	Philipsburg,	April 15, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Centre,	Philipsburg,	April 25, 1916,	Brick—schoolhouse,
Centre,	Bellefonte,	April 26, 1916,	Brick—store-dwelling,
Centre,	State College,	June 10, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Centre,	Taylor township,	Sept. 10, 1915,	Frame—barn,
Centre,	College township,	Nov. 7, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Centre,	Rush township,	Nov. 29, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Centre,	Rush township,	Dec. 24, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Centre,	State College,	April 11, 1916,	Frame—store,
Chester,	New Garden township,	Feb. 11, 1916,	Brick—dwelling,
Chester,	Caln township,	Feb. 12, 1916,	Stone-frame—barn,
Chester,	East Brandywine township,	Feb. 12, 1916,	Stone-frame—barn,
Chester,	Caln township,	Mar. 4, 1916,	Frame—sawmill,
Chester,	East Brandywine township,	Aug. 11, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Chester,	Coatesville,	April 9, 1916,	Frame—store,
Chester,	Caln township,	May 29, 1916,	Stone-frame—barn,
Chester,	West Goshen township,	July 31, 1916,	Frame—apartment,
Chester,	East Coventry township,	Aug. 17, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Chester,	East Brandywine township,	Aug. 28, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Chester,	East Nottingham township,	Sept. 30, 1916,	Stone-frame—barn,
Chester,	Coatesville,	Dec. 27, 1916,	Brick-stone—apartment,
Clearfield,	Clearfield,	Jan. 19, 1916,	Brick—printing office,
Clearfield,	Goshen township,	May 26, 1916,	Lumber,
Clearfield,	Knox township,	June 10, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Clearfield,	Du Bois,	July 4, 1916,	Coal tipple,
Clearfield,	Clearfield,	July 20, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Clearfield,	Curwensville,	Aug. 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Clearfield,	Knox township,	Aug. 7, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Clearfield,	Sandy township,	Aug. 17, 1916,	Frame—dwelling-barn,

REPORTED INCENDIARY FIRES, 1916.

Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
Mar. 28, 1916-April 4, 1916,	Abe Dunbar,	$1,000 fine—7 to 10 years Western Penitentiary.
Jan. 11, 1916-Feb. 18, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
June 27, 1916-July 18, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 4, 1916-Oct. 13, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 23, 1916-Sept. 27, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 14, 1916-Feb. 19, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 5, 1916-Mar. 17, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 24, 1916-July 28, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 26, 1916-Oct. 9, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 26, 1916-Oct. 9, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 24, 1916-April 1, 1916,	Mrs. O. K. Hoover,	Sixty days in county jail.
Mar. 3, 1916-April 3, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 31, 1916-April 27, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 29, 1916-June 2, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 6, 1916-Nov. 1, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 7, 1916-Sept. 31, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 22, 1916-Oct. 27, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 16, 1916-Dec. 23, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 22, 1916-Dec. 23, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 11, 1916-April 17, 1916,	Chas. Wiggins,	Acquitted.
	John Townsend,	Vagrancy—30 days in county jail.
Mar. 10, 1916-Mar. 13, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 31, 1916-June 2, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 13, 1916-Nov. 15, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 16, 1916-Oct. 18, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 21, 1916-Nov. 23, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 9, 1917-Jan. 10, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 16, 1916-April 19, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warraut prosecution.
Jan. 27, 1916-Feb. 8, 1916,	Albert J. Seiger,	Ten months to 1 year in county jail.
	Carl E. Carlton,	Acquitted.
July 25, 1916-Aug. 5, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 25, 1916-Oct. 31, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 25, 1916-June 3, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 9, 1916-June 2, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 31, 1916-June 13, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 17, 1916-Sept. 9, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 13, 1916-Mar. 15, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 9, 1916-Oct. 13, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 31, 1916-Nov. 30, 1916,	Edward Bannan,	Fifteen to 20 years in Western Penitentiary —$1,500 fine and costs.
Mar. 14, 1916-May 5, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 10, 1916-June 3, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 14, 1916-May 5, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 3, 1916-May 5, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 3, 1916-May 5, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 10, 1916-July 9, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 31, 1916-Sept. 10, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 5, 1916-July 11, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 9, 1916-Nov. 27, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 7, 1916-Jan. 14, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 28, 1916-Jan. 4, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 2, 1916-Dec. 30, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 17, 1916-April 3, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 9, 1916-Sept. 22, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 29, 1916-Sept. 21, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 29, 1916-Sept. 21, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 29, 1916-Sept. 21, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 12, 1916-April 27, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 10, 1916-Sept. 22, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 21, 1916-Sept. 2, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 28, 1916-Sept. 9, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 29, 1916-Sept. 16, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 4, 1916-Oct. 21, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 28, 1916-Dec. 30, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 27, 1916-Feb. 14, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 12, 1916-Aug. 18, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 23, 1916-Sept. 1, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 21, 1916-July 29, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 21, 1916-July 29, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 5, 1916-Aug. 14, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 23, 1916-Aug. 31, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 1, 1916-Sept. 27, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.

STATEMENT NO. 15. INVESTIGATION OF

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Townshp.		
Clearfield,	Cooper township,	Aug. 22, 1916,	Frame—skating rink,
Clearfield,	Du Bois,	Oct. 6, 1916,	Frame—tile manufactory,
Clearfield,	Woodward township,	Oct. 7, 1916,	Frame—coal tipple,
Clearfield,	Lawrence township,	Oct. 15, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Clearfield,	Sandy township,	Dec. 2, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Clearfield,	Beccaria township,	Nov. 1, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Clinton,	Leidy township,	Aug. 26, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Clinton,	Lock Haven,	May 14, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Clinton,	Lock Haven,	Dec. 1, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Columbia,	West Berwick,	April 24, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Columbia,	Orangeville,	Aug. 11, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
Columbia,	Pine township,	June 22, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Columbia,	Montour township,	Aug. 29, 1915,	Brick-frame—dwelling,
Columbia,	Scott township,	Oct. 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Columbia,	West Berwick,	Dec. 29, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Crawford,	Meadville,	June 29, 1916,	Frame—store room,
Crawford,	West Mead township,	Sept. 24, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Crawford,	Rome township,	Dec. 28, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Cumberland,	Monroe township,	Oct. 28, 1916,	Frame—bungalow,
Cumberland,	East Pennsbury township,	Nov. 29, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Cumberland,	Carlisle,	Jan. 26, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Dauphin,	Harrisburg,	Jan. 20, 1916,	Brick—schoolhouse,
Dauphin,	Harrisburg,	Feb. 6, 1916,	Frame—store,
Dauphin,	Swatara township,	Aug. 18, 1916,	Brick—store,
Dauphin,	Harrisburg,	Sept. 13, 1916,	Mill—lumber yard,
Dauphin,	Harrisburg,	Sept. 28, 1916,	Brick-frame—hotel,
Delaware,	Chester,	Feb. 13, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Delaware,	Clifton Heights,	Jan. 3, 1916,	Brick—hosiery mill,
Delaware,	Chester,	April 1, 1916,	Frame—shop-garage,
Delaware,	Darby township,	Dec. 18, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Delaware,	Darby township,	Dec. 17, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Delaware,	Prospect Park,	May 10, 1916,	Frame—church,
Delaware,	Chester,	July 8, 1915,	Frame—garage,
Delaware,	Eddystone,	Aug. 10, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
Delaware,	Lansdale,	Sept. 26, 1916,	Frame—stable,
Delaware,	Middletown township,	Nov. 11, 1915,	Stone—dwelling,
Elk,	Ridgway,	Feb. 7, 1916,	Brick-frame—garage,
Elk,	Johnsonburg,	June 16, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Elk,	St. Marys,	Aug. 16, 1916,	Frame—stable,
Elk,	Benezette township,	Dec. 29, 1915,	Frame—hotel,
Fayette,	Uniontown,	Aug. 21, 1916,	Brick—garage-store room,
Fayette,	George township,	Feb. 10, 1916,	Brick—store,
Fayette,	Brownsville,	Dec. 5, 1916,	Frame—stable,
Forest,	Barnett township,	Jan. 25, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Franklin,	Hamilton township,	Feb. 17, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Franklin,	Chambersburg,	May 19, 1916,	Frame—store,
Franklin,	Orrstown,	July 11, 1916,	Frame—manufactory,
Greene,	Greensboro,	Dec. 24, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Greene,	Rice's Landing,	Dec. 28, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Greene,	Waynesburg,	Feb. 4, 1916,	Frame-brick—store,
Greene,	Waynesburg,	April 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Huntingdon,	Morris township,	Mar. 24, 1916,	Frame—manufactory,
Huntingdon,	Warriors Mark township,	Jan. 8, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Huntingdon,	Logan township,	Jan. 20, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Huntingdon,	West township,	Mar. 14, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Huntingdon,	Huntingdon,	Aug. 10, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Huntingdon,	Petersburg,	Aug. 16, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Huntingdon,	Huntingdon,	Sept. 23, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Huntingdon,	Smithfield,	Nov. 18, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Huntingdon,	Clay township,	Dec. 6, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Indiana,	Indiana,	Oct. 1, 1916,	Brick—store-lodge room,
Indiana,	North Mahoning township,	June 9, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Indiana,	North Mahoning township,	Dec. 12, 1915,	Frame—sawmill,
Indiana,	Canoe township,	Feb. 5, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Indiana,	Indiana,	Mar. 5, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Indiana,	Montgomery township,	April 11, 1916,	Frame—dwelling-restaurant,
Indiana,	Creekside,	May 10, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Indiana,	Canoe township,	June 11, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Indiana,	White township,	Feb. 16, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Indiana,	South Mahoning township,	Oct. 22, 1916,	Frame—barn,

REPORTED INCENDIARY FIRES, 1916.—Continued.

Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
Aug. 29, 1916-Sept. 12, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 29, 1916-Dec. 6, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 16, 1916-Oct. 30, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 17, 1916-Oct. 30, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 11, 1916-Dec. 29, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 8, 1916-Dec. 30, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 5, 1916-Dec. 6, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 16, 1916-May 19, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 7, 1916-Dec. 20, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 1, 1916-May 2, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 15, 1916-Aug. 21, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 11, 1916-July 15, 1916,	Loyal Houghton, --	Bill ignored by grand jury.
May 5, 1916-May 24, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 14, 1916-Dec. 4, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 9, 1917-Jan. 23, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 29, 1916-July 5, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 16, 1916-Nov. 21, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 3, 1917-Feb. 14, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 10, 1916-Nov. 13, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 19, 1916-Dec. 27, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 26, 1916-Jan. 27, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 25, 1916-April 6, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 7, 1916-Feb. 10, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 2, 1916-Sept. 19, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 29, 1916-Dec. 30, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 28, 1916-Sept. 29, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 1, 1916-Mar. 14, 1916,	Jerry Laws, ------	Three months in county jail.
Jan. 3, 1916-Jan. 9, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
April 3, 1916-April 8, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 20, 1915-Dec. 30, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 17, 1915-May 1, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 22, 1916-June 7, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 12, 1915-Dec. 30, 1916,	Harvey Hiorth, ----	Custody of probation officer.
Aug. 12, 1916-Aug. 26, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 8, 1916-Dec. 30, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 12, 1915-Jan. 17, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 17, 1916-Mar. 7, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 27, 1916-July 22, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 28, 1916-Oct. 10, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 11, 1916-Mar. 6, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 22, 1916-Aug. 25, 1916,	Allen Thomas,------	Two to five years in Western Penitentiary.
Feb. 24, 1916-Mar. 9, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 11, 1916-Dec. 18, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
April 14, 1916-April 20, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 26, 1916-Mar. 4, 1916,	Albert Goss, -------	Four to 6 years in Eastern Penitentiary.
May 26, 1916-June 1, 1916,	William Taylor, ---	Spring City Reformatory.
Dec. 18, 1916-Dec. 27, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 29, 1915-Jan. 14, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 29, 1915-Jan. 6, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
April 4, 1916-April 12, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
April 14, 1916-April 22, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence.
April 6, 1916-May 1, 1916,	----------	Left jurisdiction of State.
Jan. 13, 1916-April 6, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 13, 1916-July 16, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 20, 1916-April 28, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 16, 1916-Sept. 28, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 6, 1916-Jan. 20, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 26, 1916-Nov. 1, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 20, 1916-Dec. 30, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 11, 1916-Jan. 25, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 2, 1916-Oct. 10, 1916,	Wm. Klingensmith,-	Insane asylum (died during confinement).
June 17, 1916-June 27, 1916,	Sarah McDevitt, ---	Confined to county home.
	Abraham Porter, --	$500 fine, costs of prosecution, two years in Western Penitentiary.
Jan. 6, 1916-June 28, 1916,	Wm. McDevitt, ----	$500 fine, costs of prosecution, 2 years' imprisonment.
Feb. 29, 1916-Mar. 4, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 19, 1916-May 31, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 28, 1916-May 18, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 17, 1916-Dec. 30, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 5, 1916-July 14, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 4, 1916-Aug. 9, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 31, 1916-Nov. 10, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.

STATEMENT NO. 15. INVESTIGATION OF

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Townshp.		
Indiana,	Cherrytree,	Nov. 30, 1916,	Frame—lockup,
Jefferson,	Sykesville,	Feb. 5, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Jefferson,	Brookville,	July 16, 1916,	Frame—tile manufactory,
Jefferson,	Brockwayville,	Aug. 1, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Jefferson,	Oliver township,	Oct. 1, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Juniata,	Monroe township,	July 23, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Mar. 12, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Feb. 5, 1916,	Frame-brick—store-dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Aug. 6-17-21, '16	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Aug. 21, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Dickson City,	Feb. 24, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	July 30, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	July 16, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Throop,	June 13, 1916,	Frame—manufactory,
Lackawanna,	Dunmore,	April 25, 1916,	Frame-brick—store-dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Clarks Summit,	Jan. 25, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Fall township,	June 30, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Waverly,	Nov. 13, 1915,	Frame—barn,
Lackawanna,	Archbald,	July 10, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Archbald,	July 1, 1915,	Frame—church,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Nov. 11, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lancaster,	Lancaster,	April 5, 1915,	Brick—dwelling,
Lancaster,	Lancaster,	Sept. 9, 1916,	Brick—dwelling,
Lancaster,	East Cocalico township,	Jan. 25, 1916,	Frame—dwelling-barn,
Lancaster,	East Earl township,	Jan. 27, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lancaster,	Paradise township,	Mar. 1, 1916,	Frame—warehouse,
Lancaster,	Lancaster township,	Mar. 10, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lancaster,	Warwick township,	Mar. 25, 1916,	Frame—railroad station,
Lancaster,	Elizabethtown,	June 14, 1916,	Frame—planing mill,
Lancaster,	Elizabethtown,	July 20, 1916,	Frame—milk house,
Lancaster,	Elizabethtown,	Aug. 14, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lancaster,	Lancaster,	Aug. 17, 1916,	Frame—storage,
Lancaster,	Lancaster,	Aug. 26, 1916,	Brick—warehouse,
Lancaster,	East Earl township,	Nov. 27, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Lancaster,	Colerraine township,	Dec. 24, 1916,	Frame-stone—barn,
Lawrence,	Mahoning township,	Jan. 4, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lawrence,	South New Castle,	Jan. 20, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lawrence,	Elwood City,	July 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lebanon,	Lebanon,	April 29, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lebanon,	Lebanon,	April 19, 1916,	Frame—store,
Lebanon,	Fredericksburg,	Aug. 12, 1916,	Frame—church,
Lebanon,	Bethel township,	Aug. 12, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lebanon,	Bethel township,	Aug. 12, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lebanon,	Bethel township,	Sept. 2, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lehigh,	Slatington,	Feb. 3, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lehigh,	Salisbury township,	Mar. 14, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lehigh,	Copley,	Mar. 9, 1916,	Moving picture booth,
Lehigh,	Allentown,	April 13, 1916,	Frame—moving picture house,
Lehigh,	Copley,	Aug. 10, 1915,	Concrete—barn,
Luzerne,	Jenkins township,	Nov. 21, 1912,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Pittston,	July 2, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hazleton,	Sept. 26, 1916,	Frame—store,
Luzerne,	Pittston,	Nov. 24, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Nanticoke,	Feb. 17, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Wilkes-Barre,	April 20, 1915,	Brick—store,
Luzerne,	Plymouth,	Aug. 16, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hazleton,	Mar. 14, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hazleton,	Jan. 7, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Plymouth,	Mar. 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hazleton,	April 11, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hanover township,	April 19, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Sugar Notch,	May 14, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hazleton,	July 7, 1916,	Frame—printing office,
Luzerne,	Conyngham township,	Aug. 17, 1915,	Frame—barn,
Luzerne,	Hazleton,	Aug. 8, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,

REPORTED INCENDIARY FIRES, 1916.—Continued.

Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
Dec. 3, 1916-Dec. 28, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 20, 1916-Mar. 29, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 20, 1916-Aug. 15, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 12, 1916-Sept. 5, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 10, 1916-Oct. 18, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 15, 1916-Nov. 22, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 15, 1916-Nov. 25, 1916,	John O'Hara,	Acquitted.
Feb. 6, 1916-Mar. 14, 1916,	Frank Munley,	Custody probation officer.
Aug. 16, 1916-Aug. 24, 1916,	Mike Bonnacci,	Glen Mills Reformatory.
	William Bonnacci,	Glen Mills Reformatory.
Aug. 21, 1916-Aug. 21, 1916,	James Secundini,	Feeble-Minded—Hillside Home.
Feb. 28, 1916-May 18, 1916,	George Kasperowski	Left jurisdiction of State.
Sept. 19, 1916-Oct. 16, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 13, 1916-Dec. 19, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 15, 1916-Sept. 22, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 25, 1916-May 1, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 5, 1916-May 18, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 12, 1916-July 17, 1916,	Chas. Oblenus,	Bill ignored by grand jury.
Nov. 26, 1915-July 10, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 22, 1915-April 10, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 10, 1915-April 10, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 11, 1916-Nov. 12, 1916,	Broneslawa Mostik,	Hillside Home for Insane.
April 5, 1915-May 5, 1916,	Thomas Hartman,	$50 fine, costs of prosecution, 1 year in county jail.
	Fred Stoey,	Convicted—new trial granted—released.
Sept. 11, 1916-Sept. 15, 1916,	Abraham Good,	Acquitted.
Jan. 25, 1916-Mar. 2, 1916,	Jerome Moyer,	Committed suicide awaiting trial.
May 3, 1916-June 13, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 3, 1916-Mar. 9, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 10, 1916-May 12, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 27, 1916-May 31, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
June 28, 1916-July 6, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 25, 1916-Sept. 22, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 14, 1916-Sept. 22, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 31, 1916-Sept. 13, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 7, 1916-Sept. 9, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 20, 1916-Dec. 23, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 9, 1917-Jan. 13, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 11, 1916-Jan. 18, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 22, 1916-Jan. 26, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 5, 1916-Nov. 18, 1916,	D. W. Houk,	Fined for disorderly conduct.
May 19, 1916-May 23, 1916,	Chas. Forsythe,	One to 3 years in Eastern Penitentiary, $1.00 fine, costs.
April 20, 1916-April 22, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 21, 1916-Aug. 23, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 21, 1916-Aug. 23, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 21, 1916-Aug. 23, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 14, 1916-Sept. 27, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 20, 1916-Mar. 16, 1916,	Walter Roberts,	$2,000 fine, costs of prosecution, 2 years, 9 months.
Mar. 17, 1916-Mar. 20, 1916,	Harry Jones,	$1,000 fine, costs of prosecution, 7 years in county jail.
Mar. 24, 1916-Mar. 28, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 20, 1916-June 10, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 16, 1916-Mar. 17, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 25, 1915-Oct. 14, 1915,	Eugene Williams,	Acquitted.
	John Jones,	Sentence suspended.
July 2, 1915-July 2, 1915,	Matt Kozlowski,	$150 fine, costs of prosecution, 1 year 6 months in Eastern Penitentiary.
Oct. 2, 1916-Oct. 4, 1916,	George Blackwell,	$25 fine, costs of prosecution, 1 year in county jail.
Nov. 24, 1915-Nov. 25, 1915,	Michael Marculonis,	Acquitted.
	Marie Marculonis,	Committed to insane asylum.
April 27, 1916-June 26, 1916,	Alex. Berginski,	Left jurisdiction of State.
Mar. 27, 1916-April 12, 1916,	John Beible,	Six months in county jail.
Aug. 17, 1916-Aug. 25, 1916,	Teofil Koproski,	Six months in county jail.
April 11, 1916-April 23, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 13, 1916-Dec. 19, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 8, 1916-Mar. 28, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 19, 1916-April 22, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 22, 1916-July 10, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 15, 1916-May 18, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 10, 1916-Sept. 9, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 25, 1916-Mar. 5, 1916,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 24, 1916-Aug. 31, 1916,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.

STATEMENT NO 15. INVESTIGATION OF

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Townshp.		
Luzerne,	Plymouth,	June 17, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Nanticoke,	Aug. 10, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Luzerne,	West Hazleton,	Sept. 28, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	West Hazleton,	Oct. 2, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
Luzerne,	West Hazleton,	Oct. 9, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Luzerne,	Forty Fort,	Oct. 14, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Luzerne,	Miners Mills,	Oct. 20, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Luzerne,	Plymouth,	Nov. 2, 1916,	Frame—saloon,
Luzerne,	Wright township,	Nov. 14, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hazleton,	Nov. 23, 1915,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Luzerne,	Avoca,	Nov. 26, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Pittston,	Dec. 27, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
Lycoming,	Lucullus,	Dec. 7, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lycoming,	Pine township,	Jan. 30, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lycoming,	Williamsport,	Feb. 6, 1916,	Frame—store,
Lycoming,	Williamsport,	Feb. 22, 1916,	Frame—store,
Lycoming,	Williamsport,	April 15, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Lycoming,	Shrewsbury township,	April 20, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
Lycoming,	McNett township,	Sept. 16, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
Lycoming,	Williamsport,	Dec. 12, 1916,	Frame—garage,
Lycoming,	Williamsport,	Dec. 15, 1916,	Frame—barn,
McKean,	Bradford,	Jan. 9, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
McKean,	Bradford,	Jan. 31, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
McKean,	Bradford,	April 12, 1916,	Frame—store,
McKean,	Bradford,	June 1, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
McKean,	Bradford,	Sept. 13, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Mercer,	Sharon,	Sept. 2, 1916,	Brick—hotel-store,
Mercer,	Farrell,	Mar. 19, 1916,	Brick-tile—store,
Mercer,	Delaware township,	Oct. 28, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Mifflin,	Lewistown,	Sept. 16, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Monroe,	East Stroudsburg,	May 11, 1916,	Brick—factory,
Monroe,	Stroud township,	May 14, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Monroe,	East Stroudsburg,	June 16, 1916,	Frame—store,
Monroe,	Stroud township,	Aug. 8, 1916,	Frame—stable,
Monroe,	Stroudsburg,	Aug. 8, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Monroe,	Stroud township,	Oct. 16, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Montgomery,	Marlborough township,	Mar. 3, 1916,	Stone-frame—barn,
Montgomery,	Upper Dublin township,	Mar. 9, 1916,	Stone-frame—barn,
Montgomery,	Worcester township,	April 28, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Montour,	Danville,	June 27, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Montour,	Danville,	June 27, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Northampton,	Northampton,	Jan. 31, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Northampton,	East Bangor,	July 31, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Northampton,	Northampton,	Aug. 3, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Northampton,	Bethlehem,	Aug. 3, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Northampton,	Northampton,	Aug. 8, 1915,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Northampton,	Williams township,	Oct. 30, 1916,	Frame—dwelling-barn,
Northampton,	Bangor,	Dec. 25, 1916,	Brick—manufactory,
Northumberland,	Northumberland,	Jan. 15, 1915,	Frame—store,
Northumberland,	Shamokin,	Aug. 14, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Northumberland,	Sunbury,	April 3, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Northumberland,	Coal township,	Aug. 16, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Perry,	Wheatfield township,	April 23, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Potter,	Galeton,	Jan. 19, 1916,	Brick—store-dwelling,
Potter,	Galeton,	April 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Potter,	Roulette township,	Sept. 16, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Schuylkill,	Pottsville,	June 15, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Tamaqua,	Mar. 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Mahanoy City,	Aug. 13, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Tamaqua,	Jan. 19, 1916,	Frame—store,
Schuylkill,	McAdoo,	Feb. 15, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Ryan township,	Mar. 12, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Rush township,	April 13, 1916,	Frame—dwelling-barn,
Schuylkill,	Mahanoy City,	June 27, 1916,	Frame—saloon-dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Mahanoy City,	July 10, 1916,	Frame—stable,
Schuylkill,	Pottsville,	Aug. 30, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
Schuylkill,	Upper Mahantongo,	Sept. 28, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Schuylkill,	Minersville,	Oct. 17, 1916	Frame—tailor shop,

REPORTED INCENDIARY FIRES, 1916.—Continued.

Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
June 23, 1916-July 10, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 16, 1916-Sept. 2, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 24, 1916-Oct. 25, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 24, 1916-Oct. 25, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 24, 1916-Oct. 25, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 24, 1916-Nov. 13, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 9, 1916-Nov. 13, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 6, 1916-Jan. 26, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 18, 1915-May 18, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 29, 1915-April 23, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 8, 1916-Dec. 11, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 27, 1916-Jan. 7, 1917,	Anthony Schultz, --	Bill ignored by grand jury.
Dec. 7, 1916-Dec. 9, 1916,	Frank Holden, -----	Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory.
Jan. 30, 1916-Feb. 26, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 14, 1916-Feb. 28, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 22, 1916-Feb. 29, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 17, 1916-April 26, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 27, 1916-May 1, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 24, 1916-Dec. 24, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 16, 1916-Jan. 6, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 15, 1916-Dec. 24, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 12, 1916-Feb. 16, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 3, 1916-Feb. 14, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 12, 1916-June 21, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 3, 1916-June 12, 1916.	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 22, 1916-Nov. 14, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 4, 1916-Sept. 17, 1916,	Harry Davis, -----	Left jurisdiction.
	Samuel Szeimback, -	Paroled.
Mar. 20, 1916-Mar. 24, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 9, 1916-Jan. 25, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 18, 1916-Sept. 26, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 16, 1916-Oct. 18, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
May 15, 1916-May 17, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 26, 1916-June 29, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 25, 1916-Sept. 26, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 7, 1916-Sept. 12, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 12, 1917-Mar. 17, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 3, 1916-April 4, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 9, 1916-Mar. 10, 1916,	----------	Bill ignored by grand jury.
June 20, 1916-June 28, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 28, 1916-July 4, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
June 28, 1916-July 4, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 1, 1916-Feb. 1, 1916,	Albert Leidy, -----	Acquitted.
Aug. 5, 1916-Aug. 16, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 10, 1916-Aug. 17, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 14, 1916-Aug. 16, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 9, 1916-Mar. 17, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 31, 1916-Nov. 3, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 9, 1917-Jan. 31, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 27, 1915-Feb. 24, 1915,	Samuel Rosen, -----	$237.86 fine, costs of prosecution and paroled.
Aug. 22, 1916-Aug. 31, 1916,	Sanley Cosmoss, ---	Released in custody of parents.
Aug. 3, 1916-May 2, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 22, 1916-Aug. 31, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 25, 1916-April 28, 1916,	Stetta Barrick, ----	Glen Mills Reformatory.
	John Smith, --------	Acquitted.
Jan. 22, 1916-Feb. 9, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
April 6, 1916-April 24, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 16, 1916-Sept. 22, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
June 16, 1916-June 19, 1916,	William Thomas, --	Charge carrying concealed deadly weapons, 90 days in county jail, $1.00 fine, costs of prosecution; charge arson, acquitted.
Mar. 20, 1916-April 10, 1916,	Anthony Snenkonis,	Acquitted.
Aug. 14, 1916-Aug. 16, 1916,	Gus Sombrusky, ---	$1.00 fine, pay costs of prosecution, 2 years solitary confinement in county jail.
Jan. 22, 1916-Jan. 28, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 15, 1916-Feb. 24, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 20, 1916-Mar. 24, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 3, 1916-May 12, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 29, 1916-July 9, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
July 10, 1916-July 11, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 30, 1916-Oct. 3, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 6, 1916-June 15, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 19, 1916-Oct. 24, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.

STATEMENT NO. 15.—INVESTIGATION OF

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Township.		
Schuylkill,	Minersville,	Nov. 11, 1915,	Frame—barber shop,
Schuylkill,	Pottsville,	Nov. 18, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Pine Grove,	Dec. 7, 1915,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Minersville,	Dec. 23, 1915,	Frame—garage,
Somerset,	Hooversville,	July 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Somerset,	Jenner township,	July 20, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Somerset,	Somerset,	Sept. 23, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Somerset,	Hooversville,	Nov. 14, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Somerset,	Jenner township,	Dec. 11, 1915,	Frame—store,
Susquehanna,	Susquehanna,	Dec. 25, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Susquehanna,	Hallstead,	Dec. 25, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Tioga,	Union township,	April 16, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Tioga,	Middlebury township,	Mar. 2, 1916,	Frame—garage,
Tioga,	Charlestown township,	Sept. 23, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Union,	Mifflinburg,	Jan. 14, 1916,	Frame—garage,
Union,	Buffalo township,	Mar. 5, 1916,	Frame—store,
Venango,	West End borough,	Feb. 6, 1916,	Frame—schoolhouse,
Venango,	Cooperstown,	June 6, 1916,	Frame—hotel-dwelling,
Venango,	Franklin,	Aug. 8, 1916,	Frame—store,
Warren,	Columbus township,	April 29, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Warren,	Sugar Grove,	Sept. 7, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Warren,	Warren,	Sept. 21, 1916,	Frame—pool room,
Washington,	Eleo,	May 13, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Washington,	Smith township,	April 6, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Washington,	Bentleyville,	April 17, 1916,	Frame—barber shop,
Washington,	Chartiers township,	May 13, 1916,	Frame—store,
Washington,	Peters township,	July 17, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Washington,	Bentleyville,	Aug. 12, 1916,	Brick—opera house-store,
Washington,	West Brownsville,	Sept. 9, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Washington,	Independent township,	Oct. 21, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Washington,	Donora,	Nov. 30, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Wayne,	Damascus township,	Sept. 9, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Wayne,	Waymart,	Oct. 18, 1915,	Frame—garage,
Westmoreland,	Penn township,	Jan. 15, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Hempfield township,	Mar. 11, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Monessen,	May 7, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	New Kensington,	Jan. 4, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Hempfield township,	Feb. 2, 1916,	Brick—schoolhouse,
Westmoreland,	Jeannette,	Mar. 28, 1916,	Brick—store,
Westmoreland,	Franklin township,	May 30, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Westmoreland,	Export,	June 19, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Franklin township,	June 28, 1916,	Frame—church,
Westmoreland,	Greensburg,	June 29, 1916,	Frame—warehouse,
Westmoreland,	Arnold,	July 18, 1916,	Frame—store-dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Franklin township,	Aug. 27, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Westmoreland,	Bell township,	Nov. 23, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Avonmore,	Dec. 10, 1916,	Brick—distillery,
Westmoreland,	Hempfield township,	Dec. 29, 1916,	Frame—meat market,
Westmoreland,	Derry township,	Dec. 31, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
York,	York,	Jan. 29, 1916,	Brick—store-dwelling,
York,	York township,	Feb. 18, 1916,	Frame—barn,
York,	Wrightsville,	Feb. 29, 1916,	Frame—hotel,
York,	Warrington township,	April 6, 1916,	Frame—dwelling-barn,
York,	Manchester township,	May 27, 1916,	Frame-stone—barn,
York,	York,	June 11, 1916,	Frame-stone—club house,
York,	York,	July 23, 1916,	Brick—store,
York,	Peach Bottom township,	Sept. 3, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
York,	North Hopewell township,	Oct. 28, 1916,	Frame—barn,
York,	Dillsburg,	Nov. 16, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,

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Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
Nov. 11, 1915-Mar. 15, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 23, 1915-Mar. 22, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 30, 1915-Jan. 4, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 24, 1915-Jan. 13, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
July 13, 1916-July 26, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 25, 1916-Aug. 1, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 30, 1916-Nov. 23, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 22, 1916-Nov. 27, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 8, 1916-Dec. 12, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
July 7, 1916-July 10, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 17, 1916-Jan. 22, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 16, 1916-June 25, 1916,	Stephen Roberts, --	Danville Insane Asylum.
Mar. 4, 1916-Mar. 14, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 27, 1915-Feb. 14, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 19, 1916-May 29, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
June 1, 1916-June 13, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 9, 1916-Feb. 25, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
June 19, 1916-June 27, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 25, 1916-Sept. 14, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 1, 1916-May 4, 1916,	Francis W. Keith, -	Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory.
Sept. 11, 1916-Sept. 16, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 26, 1916-Oct. 30, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 13, 1916-June 21, 1916,	Steve Barrass, ----	Acquitted.
	Larra Merciuue, ---	Acquitted.
April 15, 1916-April 27, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 24, 1916-May 2, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 26, 1916-July 19, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 30, 1916-Oct. 31, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 14, 1916-Aug. 17, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 11, 1916-Sept. 23, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 2, 1916-Nov. 16, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 12, 1916-Jan. 10, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 15, 1916-Nov. 19, 1916,	Wm. H. Allen, ----	Left jurisdiction of State.
Feb. 11, 1916-April 12, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 28, 1916-Mar. 14, 1916,	Ezechia DeMichael,-	Acquitted.
	Oswald DeMichael, -	Nolle prossed.
April 1, 1916-May 7, 1916,	R. J. Stout, ------	Acquitted.
May 8, 1916-May 18, 1916,	Paul Yeniscuk, -----	Acquitted.
Jan. 17, 1916-Feb. 9, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 14, 1916-Feb. 26, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 11, 1916-April 15, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
May 30, 1916-July 12, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 28, 1916-July 20, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
July 5, 1916-July 10, 1916,	Adolph Abbey, -----	Bill ignored by grand jury.
July 27, 1916-Aug. 3, 1916,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
July 21, 1916-July 31, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 30, 1916-Nov. 4, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 6, 1916-Jan. 9, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 11, 1916-Jan. 1, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 21, 1917-Mar. 2, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 24, 1917-Feb. 17, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 17, 1916-Feb. 22, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 29, 1916-Mar. 4, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 1, 1916-Mar. 4, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 7, 1916-April 14, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 1, 1916-June 23, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 15, 1916-June 23, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 24, 1916-July 25, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 13, 1916-Sept. 21, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 14, 1916-Nov. 17, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 27, 1916-Dec. 4, 1916,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.

STATEMENT NO. 16.—INVESTIGATION OF

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Township		
Adams,	Union township,	Oct 16, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Armstrong,	Kiskiminetas township,	Dec. 31, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Armstrong,	Parkers Landing,	Feb. 22, 1917,	Brick—store rooms,
Armstrong,	Red Bank township,	April 20, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Armstrong,	Manorville,	April 28, 1917,	Brick—schoolhouse,
Armstrong,	Kaylor,	July 28, 1917,	Frame—store—office,
Armstrong,	Nu Mine,	Aug. 17, 1917,	Frame—log—dwelling,
Armstrong,	Kaylor,	Sept. 6, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Beaver,	Darlington,	Aug. 10, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Bedford,	Riddlesburg,	Feb. 27, 1917,	Frame—store—lodge room,
Berks,	Reading,	Dec. 11, 1916,	Frame—stable,
Berks,	Reading,	Jan. 24, 1917,	Frame—store,
Berks,	Reading,	Feb. 25, 1917,	Brick—store,
Berks,	Reading,	March 6, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Berks,	Reading,	March 20, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Berks,	Mt. Penn,	May 19, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Berks,	Reading,	June 17, 1917,	Frame—office,
Berks,	Upper Tulpehocken township.	Aug. 14, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Berks,	Jefferson township,	Aug. 29, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Berks,	Reading,	Sept. 28, 1917,	Frame—warehouse,
Berks,	Exeter township,	Oct. 13, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Berks,	Reading,	Oct. 17, 1917,	Stone—warehouse,
Berks,	Spring township,	Nov. 7, 1917,	Frame—flour mill,
Berks,	Robison township,	Nov. 8, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Berks,	Reading,	Nov. 29, 1917,	Frame—restaurant,
Blair,	North Woodbury townsbip,	Aug. 1, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Blair,	Altoona,	Dec. 24, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Blair,	Altoona,	Feb. 16, 1917,	Frame—brick—store,
Blair,	Altoona,	March 11, 1917,	Frame—meat market,
Blair,	Logan township,	April 12, 1917,	Frame—church,
Blair,	Altoona,	Aug. 17, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Blair,	Altoona,	Aug. 29, 1917,	Brick—store,
Blair,	Altoona,	Sept. 30, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Bradford,	Towanda,	Dec. 27, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Bradford,	Springfield township,	Oct. 14, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Bradford,	Leroy township,	Feb. 19, 1917,	Lumber,
Bradford,	Shehequin township,	April 5, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Bradford,	Shehequin township,	May 1, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Bradford,	Wilmot township,	Sept. 24, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Bucks,	Bensalem township,	Jan. 9, 1917,	Stone—college,
Bucks,	Bensalem township,	Jan. 9, 1917,	Stone—college,
Bucks,	Mozart township,	Jan. 14, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Bucks,	Tinicum,	Sept. 2, 1917,	Frame—hen house,
Butler,	Petrolia,	Oct. 11, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,

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Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
Oct. 23, 1917-Oct. 28, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 4, 1917-Mar. 24, 1917,	Harry McLaughlin,	Acquitted.
Aug. 1, 1917-Aug. 20, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
June 28, 1917-July 11, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 9, 1917-May 18, 1917,	Roy Beers,	Charge—robbery—Reformatory.
Aug. 2, 1917-Nov. 24, 1917,	Chas. Piper Lopp,	Insane Hospital at Fairview.
Aug. 28, 1917-Sept. 9, 1917,	Chas. Asper,	Left jurisdiction of State.
Sept. 6, 1917-Nov. 24, 1917,	Chas. Piper Lopp,	Insane Hospital at Fairview.
Aug. 22, 1917-Sept. 25, 1917,	Milton McCarter,	Acquitted.
Feb. 27, 1917-Feb. 27, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 2, 1917-Mar. 20, 1917,	Joseph Closeman,	Acquitted.
Jan. 24, 1917-Jan. 30, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 25, 1917-Mar. 5, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 6, 1917-Mar. 19, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 20, 1917-Mar. 21, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
May 21, 1917-May 22, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 30, 1917-Sept. 11, 1917,	Irene DoErr,	Sentence suspended.
	Richard A. DoErr,	$100 fine and costs, 3 to 12 years Eastern Penitentiary.
Sept. 4, 1917-Sept. 7, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 4, 1917-Sept. 7, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 28, 1917-Oct. 10, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 23, 1917-Oct. 30, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 18, 1917-Nov. 13, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 15, 1917-Nov. 23, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 15, 1917-Nov. 27, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 30, 1917-Dec. 20, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 8, 1916-Sept. 10, 1917,	Percy Connor,	11 months, 20 days County Jail.
	Levi Smith,	Fined $100—cost of prosecution $360.
	Sara Smith (wife of Levi).	Fined $100—cost of prosecution $360.
Feb. 8, 1917-Mar. 7, 1917,	Mrs. Rose Platch,	Blair County Home.
Feb. 24, 1917-Mar. 7, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 14, 1917-June 19, 1917,	J. D. Kline,	30 days in jail, $500 fine and costs of prosecution.
	Mrs. Gussie Kline,	Fined $100.
April 13, 1917-Jan. 9, 1918,	Charles Fonner,	4 months in County Jail.
Aug. 17, 1917-Aug. 17, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 30, 1917-Nov. 11, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 8, 1917-Oct. 15, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 27, 1915-Sept. 21, 1917,	Tony Dominick,	Not less than 5 years nor more than 6 in Eastern Penitentiary.
	Patsy Afflito,	Not less than 8 years nor more tban 9 in Eastern Penitentiary.
Oct. 18, 1916-Feb. 5, 1917,	Ralph Wilcox,	Bill ignored by Grand Jury.
Feb. 27, 1917-Mar. 21, 1917.	George Whipple,	Bill ignored by Grand Jury.
May 7, 1917-May 14, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 7, 1917-May 14, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 6, 1917-Dec. 8, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 16, 1917-Mar. 16, 1917,	Ladislaus Ozinski,	Quashed by court—Not sufficient evidence.
	Francis Towdoroski	Quashed by court—Not sufficient evidence.
	Alphonse Perret,	Quashed by court—Not sufficient evidence.
Jan. 16, 1917-Mar. 23, 1917,	Joseph Dachowski,	Not more than 12 years nor less tban 8 years in Eastern Penitentiary.
Jan. 17, 1917-Jan. 29, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 26, 1917-Sept. 29, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 12, 1917-Oct. 14, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.

STATEMENT NO. 16. INVESTIGATION OF

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Township		
Cambria,	Cambria township,	Jan. 13, 1917,	Frame—stone—dwelling,
Cambria,	East Taylor township,	March 1, 1917,	Frame—barber shop,
Cambria,	Richland township,	March 24, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Cambria,	Johnstown,	May 11, 1917,	Brick—store,
Cambria,	Spangler,	May 16, 1917,	Frame—store,
Cambria,	Susquehanna township,	July 14, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Cambria,	Cassandra,	Oct. 4, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Cambria,	Adams township,	Dec. 3, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Carbon,	Banks township,	Sept. 9, 1917,	Frame—hotel—dwelling,
Carbon,	Banks township,	May 31, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Centre,	Howard,	April 12, 1917,	Frame—garage,
Chester,	Uwchland township,	March 23, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Clearfield,	Houtzdale,	Dec. 20, 1916,	Brick—store—office,
Clearfield,	Knox township,	March 22, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Clinton,	Bald Eagle township,	April 11, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Columbia,	Madison township,	Jan. 28, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Columbia,	Centralia,	May 30, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Columbia,	Centralia,	June 15, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Columbia,	Locust township,	Aug. 19, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Columbia,	Scott township,	Oct. 29, 1917,	Frame—grist mill,
Columbia,	Bloomsburg,	Oct. 28, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Crawford,	Meadville,	May 16, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Crawford,	Oil Creek township,	July 12, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Cumberland,	Shippensburg,	Feb. 18, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Cumberland,	Mechanicsburg,	April 15, 1917,	Frame—storage,
Cumberland,	Newville,	April 12, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Cumberland,	Shippensburg,	May 19, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Cumberland,	Shippensburg,	May 19, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Cumberland,	Shippensburg,	May 19, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Cumberland,	Shippensburg,	May 19, 1917,	Brick—frame—stable,
Cumberland,	Shippensburg,	May 19, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Cumberland,	Shippensburg,	May 19, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Cumberland,	Shippensburg,	May 19, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Cumberland,	New Kingston,	July 18, 1917,	Frame—shop,
Dauphin,	Middletown,	Jan. 2, 1917,	Brick—hosiery mill,
Dauphin,	Harrisburg,	March 19, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Dauphin,	Harrisburg,	April 12, 1917,	Frame—storage,
Dauphin,	Penbrook,	Aug. 16, 1917,	Frame—mill—garage,
Dauphin,	Swatara,	Oct. 18, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Dauphin,	Steelton,	Dec. 10, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Delaware,	Chester,	Jan. 1, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Delaware,	Upper Providence township,	Jan. 31, 1917,	Frame—stone—stable,
Delaware,	Chester,	Jan. 28, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Delaware,	Ridley township,	March 20, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Delaware,	Chester,	March 27, 1917,	Brick—dwelling,
Delaware,	Eddystone,	March 27, 1917,	Stone—church,
Delaware,	Eddystone,	April 10, 1917,	Frame—tile—munition plant,
Delaware,	Chester,	May 15, 1917,	Brick—dwelling,
Delaware,	Boothwyn,	June 3, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Delaware,	Wayne,	June 30, 1917,	Brick—garage,

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Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
Jan. 22, 1917-Mar. 21, 1917,	Myer Hecht,	Acquitted.
	Aaron Berner,	Acquitted.
	Herman Berner,	Acquitted—pay costs.
April 3, 1917-April 7, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 4, 1917-April 11, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 16, 1917-May 29, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 16, 1917-June 15, 1917,	Andy Lokey,	Nolle prossed.
July 30, 1917-Aug. 2, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 4, 1917-Oct. 9, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 2, 1918-Jan. 8, 1918,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 26, 1917-Oct. 18, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 5, 1917-June 12, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 16, 1917-May 3, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 27, 1917-April 7, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 3, 1917-Mar. 30, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 30, 1917-Aug. 6, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 23, 1917-July 12, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 20, 1917-May 17, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 18, 1917-June 22, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 18, 1917-June 22, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 27, 1917-Oct. 19, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 29, 1917-Nov. 23, 1917,	Calvin J. Moser,	Charge—soliciting and inviting another to commit arson. Danville Insane Asylum.
Nov. 12, 1917-Jan. 13, 1918,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 23, 1917-July 3, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 17, 1917-Aug. 30, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 19, 1917-Feb. 23, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 24, 1917-April 24, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 30, 1917-April 30, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 21, 1917-June 9, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 21, 1917-June 9, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 21, 1917-June 9, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 21, 1917-June 9, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 21, 1917-June 9, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 21, 1917-June 9, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 21, 1917-June 9, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 25, 1917-July 26, 1917,	Harvey M. Morrow,	Nolle prossed.
Mar. 22, 1917-Mar. 27, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 22, 1917-Feb. 18, 1918,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 24, 1917-April 24, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 18, 1917-Aug. 21, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 19, 1917-Oct. 23, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 11, 1917-Dec. 14, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 4, 1917-Jan. 10, 1917,	Elmer Shade,	Glen Mills Reformatory.
Jan. 31, 1917-Feb. 3, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 31, 1917-Jan. 31, 1917,	Tomasseo Sempelleo	Acquitted.
Mar. 28, 1917-April 9, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 28, 1917-May 5, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 28, 1917-May 5, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 10, 1917-May 21, 1917,		Preventable—139 deaths, 125 injured.
May 17, 1917-June 7, 1917,	Alfonso Diprisco,	Acquitted.
June 5, 1917-June 12, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 10, 1917-July 15, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.

STATEMENT NO. 16. INVESTIGATION OF

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Township		
Delaware,	Upland,	July 11, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Delaware,	Ridley,	Aug. 26, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Delaware,	Chester,	Sept. 3, 1917,	Brick—dwelling,
Delaware,	Thornbury township,	Oct. 17, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Delaware,	Upper Darby township,	Nov. 15, 1917,	Frame—feed store,
Delaware,	Lansdowne,	Nov. 18, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Elk,	Johnsonburg,	Sept. 23, 1917,	Frame—band hall,
Erie,	Erie,	Feb. 14, 1917,	Frame—store,
Erie,	Erie,	Feb. 28, 1917,	Frame—photo gallery,
Erie,	Union City,	March 15, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Erie,	Erie,	April 24, 1917,	Grain elevator,
Erie,	North East,	Nov. 14, 1917,	Grain elevator,
Erie,	Erie,	Dec. 18, 1917,	Freight house,
Erie,	Erie,	Dec. 19, 1917,	Brick—store,
Fayette,	Connellsville,	June 30, 1916,	Brick—store—dwelling,
Fayette,	So. Connellsville,	Jan. 2, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Fayette,	Henry Clay township,	May 17, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Fayette,	Menallen township,	June 2, 1917,	Frame—store,
Fayette,	Uniontown,	Sept. 26, 1917,	Frame—warehouse,
Fayette,	Franklin township,	Oct. 7, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Franklin,	Washington township,	April 26, 1917,	Frame—store,
Fulton,	Todd township,	Aug. 21, 1917,	Frame—store,
Huntingdon,	Miller township,	Feb. 1, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Huntingdon,	Huntingdon,	Feb. 27, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Huntingdon,	Petersburg,	April 11, 1917,	Frame—brick—store—dwelling,
Huntingdon,	Wood township,	April 24, 1917,	Frame—school,
Huntingdon,	West Huntingdon,	June 24, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Huntingdon,	Mt. Union,	Aug. 21, 1917,	Frame—store,
Huntingdon,	Mt. Union,	Sept. 4, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Huntingdon,	Mapleton,	Sept. 20, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Huntingdon,	Mt. Union,	Oct. 29, 1917,	Brick—laundry,
Indiana,	Canoe township,	June 27, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Juniata,	Port Royal,	Dec. 18, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Juniata,	Delaware township,	Aug. 6, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	July 27, 1916,	Frame—store,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Oct. 20, 1916,	Frame—hotel—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Oct. 27, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Olyphant,	Nov. 11, 1916,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Jermyn,	Dec. 15, 1916,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Old Forge,	Jan. 18, 1917,	Frame—barber shop,
Lackawanna,	Throop,	March 24, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Dunmore,	Feb. 3, 1917,	Coal breaker,
Lackawanna,	Dunmore,	Feb. 3, 1917,	Frame shop,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Feb. 7, 1917,	Frame shop,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Feb. 11, 1917,	Brick—motion picture theatre,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Feb. 27, 1917,	Brick—store,
Lackawanna,	Olyphant,	March 10, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Dunmore,	March 12, 1917,	Frame—dwelling—saloon,
Lackawanna,	Dickson City,	March 19, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Dunmore,	March 26, 1917,	Frame—hotel,
Lackawanna,	Olyphant,	March 30, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	March 31, 1917,	Frame—saloon—hall,
Lackawanna,	Dickson City,	April 2, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,

REPORTED INCENDIARY FIRES, 1917.—Continued.

Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
July 11, 1917-Aug. 4, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 27, 1917-Sept. 22, 1917,	James H. Wells,	Bill ignored by Grand Jury.
Sept. 3, 1917-Sept. 3, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 17, 1917-Nov. 3, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 17, 1917-Nov. 22, 1917,	James Schofield,	Sentence suspended.
Nov. 26, 1917-Dec. 15, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 26, 1917-Oct. 2, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 16, 1917-Feb. 26, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 14, 1917-April 3, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 23, 1917-April 5, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 28, 1917-May 2, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 14, 1917-Nov. 27, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 19, 1917-Dec. 27, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 21, 1917-Dec. 27, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 3, 1916-April 10, 1917,	Herman Iszak, Harry Swartz,	Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory. Left jurisdiction of State.
Jan. 17, 1917-Jan. 20, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 27, 1917-June 4, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 8, 1917-June 14, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 29, 1917-Oct. 6, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 18, 1917-Oct. 24, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 26, 1917-June 10, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 14, 1917-Sept. 24, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 7, 1917-Feb. 7, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 28, 1917-June 4, 1917,	Wm. Shirley, Clyde Roland,	Reprimanded and suspended. Reprimanded and suspended.
April 16, 1917-April 17, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 2, 1917-May 15, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 24, 1917-July 25, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 27, 1917-Aug. 29, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 22, 1917-Sept. 29, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 21, 1917-Sept. 29, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 29, 1917-Nov. 1, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 5, 1916-Mar. 23, 1917,	Andrew Yuhasz,	Acquitted.
Mar. 16, 1917-Mar. 27, 1917,	Frank McConnell,	Payment of $100 and replacing barn and machinery, etc.
Aug. 7, 1917-Sept. 3, 1917,	Thomas Carter,	Glen Mills Reformatory.
July 27, 1916-Oct. 16, 1917,	Earl Kellum,	Nolle Prossed.
Dec. 6, 1916-Feb. 2, 1917,	Andrew Chubby,	Discharged—Want of sufficient evidence.
Dec. 6, 1916-Feb. 17, 1917,	Hannah Starkey,	Left jurisdiction of State. Died.
Nov. 11, 1916-Mar. 27, 1917,	Alex. Sedetky,	Nolle Prossed.
Dec. 18, 1916-Oct. 13, 1917,	Paul Nicklard,	1 year in jail, $100 fine aud costs of prosecution.
Feb. 14, 1917-Nov. 12, 1917,	Joe Lupa,	Nolle Prossed.
April 28, 1917-April 30, 1917,	John Crambo,	Acquitted.
Feb. 5, 1917-Feb. 10, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 7, 1917-Feb. 9, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 7, 1917-Feb. 8, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 11, 1917-Mar. 21, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 28, 1917-Mar. 31, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 28, 1917-April 1, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 14, 1917-July 24, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 10, 1917-Jan. 10, 1918,	Ignatz Redznski,	Acquitted.
Mar. 26, 1917-April 16, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 30, 1917-July 24, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 2, 1917-April 16, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 17, 1917-April 30, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.

Location. County.	Location. City—Borough—Township	Date of Fire.	Structure.
Lackawanna,	Old Forge,	April 4, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Dunmore,	April 5, 1917,	Frame—pool room,
Lackawanna,	Old Forge,	April 17, 1917,	Frame—dwelling—store,
Lackawanna,	Moosic,	May 1, 1917,	Brick—powder mill,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	May 2, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Dunmore,	June 10, 1917,	Frame—schoolhouse,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	June 13, 1917,	Brick—frame—garage,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	July 7, 1917,	Frame—moving picture house
Lackawanna,	Dickson City,	July 19, 1917,	Frame—dwelling—hotel,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	July 29, 1917,	Frame—dwelling—tailor shop,
Lackawanna,	Old Forge,	Aug. 15, 1917,	Frame—dwelling—store,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Aug. 23, 1917,	Frame—garage,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Oct. 28, 1917,	Lumber,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Nov. 11, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Moosic,	Dec. 19, 1917,	Brick—powder mill,
Lancaster,	Warwick township,	Nov. 20, 1916,	Frame—barn,
Lancaster,	Paradise,	Jan. 20, 1917,	Frame—factory,
Lancaster,	Manheim township,	Feb. 10, 1917,	Brick—barn,
Lancaster,	East Lampeter township,	Feb. 10, 1917,	Stone—barn,
Lancaster,	East Lampeter township,	Feb. 27, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Lancaster,	Paradise,	Feb. 4, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Lancaster,	Columbia,	Feb. 7, 1917,	Brick—store—factory,
Lancaster,	Leacock township,	March 12, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lancaster,	Providence township,	March 30, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lancaster,	Lancaster,	April 5, 1915,	Brick—dwelling,
Lancaster,	Sadsbury township,	April 11, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Lancaster,	Sadsbury township,	April 23, 1917,	Brick—school house,
Lancaster,	Sadsbury township,	April 23, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lancaster,	West Hempfield township,	July 19, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lancaster,	West Lampeter township,	July 21, 1917,	Binder,
Lancaster,	Elizabeth township,	Aug. 6, 1917,	Straw pile,
Lancaster,	West Lampeter township,	Sept. 26, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Lawrence,	New Bedford,	Nov. 14, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lebanon,	Lebanon,	March 12, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Lebanon,	Lebanon,	June 17, 1917,	Frame—barn—junk shop,
Lebanon,	Lebanon,	Sept. 15, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Lehigh,	Upper Saucon township,	May 4, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Lehigh,	Upper Saucon township,	July 9, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Lehigh,	Coopersburg,	July 9, 1917,	Grist mill,
Lehigh,	Copley,	Aug. 15, 1917,	Frame—barn—coal shed,
Luzerne,	Wilkes-Barre,	Nov. 5, 1916,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hanover township,	Jan. 18, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Larksville,	Jan. 30, 1917,	Brick—hotel,
Luzerne,	Plymouth,	April 22, 1917,	Frame—barber shop,
Luzerne,	Nescopeck township,	April 22, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Luzerne,	West Pittston,	May 26, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	West Hazleton,	May 31, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Warrior Run,	June 15, 1917,	Frame—store,
Luzerne,	Edwardsville,	June 13, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Nescopeck,	July 29, 1916,	Frame—garage,
Luzerne,	Luzerne,	Dec. 17, 1917,	Frame—hotel,
Lycoming,	Williamsport,	Nov. 23, 1916,	Brick—garage,
Lycoming,	McNett township,	Jan. 3, 1917,	Frame—barn,

REPORTED INCENDIARY FIRES, 1917.—Continued.

Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
April 7, 1917-April 30, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 27, 1917-July 27, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 18, 1917-April 30, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 4, 1917-June 1, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
May 3, 1917-May 4, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 12, 1917-July 30, 1917,	Carmen Perry, -----	Paroled in custody of parents.
June 15, 1917-July 2, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
July 12, 1917-July 27, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
July 19, 1917-Feb. 5, 1918,	Anthony Goczon,--	Acquitted.
	Frank Masakoski,-	Acquitted.
	Thomas Balogez,--	1 year in County Jail, $100 fine.
Aug. 1, 1917-Sept. 27, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 16, 1917-Sept. 6, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 7, 1917-Sept. 28, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 10, 1918-Feb. 13, 1918,	Frank Steligo, -----	Acquitted.
Dec. 4, 1917-Dec. 18, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 19, 1917-Jan. 13, 1918,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
April 24, 1917-April 28, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 5, 1917-Mar. 31, 1917,	Frank B. Hurst,--	17½ years Penitentiary, $500 fine and costs. Indicted on 5 counts—Sentenced 3½ years, $100 fine and costs on each count.
Mar. 22, 1917-Mar. 31, 1917,		
Mar. 22, 1917-Mar. 31, 1917,		
Mar. 1, 1917-Mar. 31, 1917,		
Feb. 27, 1917-Mar. 8, 1917,		
Feb.. 10, 1917-Feb. 17, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 19, 1917-Mar. 24, 1917,	George Seldomridge,	2 years 6 months solitary confinement in Lancaster County Jail.
April 13, 1917-April 17, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 5, 1915-May 5, 1917,	Thomas Hartman,-	1 year County Jail—confirmed by Superior Court.
May 3, 1917-May 7, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 3, 1917-May 7, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
May 3, 1917-May 7, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
July 25, 1917-Aug. 1, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 6, 1917-Aug. 13, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 20, 1917-Oct. 1, 1917,	Victor Hess, ------	Lancaster County Hospital for Insane.
Oct. 2, 1917-Oct. 5, 1917,	John Neblosky, ----	Lancaster County Hospital for Insane.
Nov. 15, 1917-Nov. 17, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 12, 1917-Dec. 11, 1917,	Edward Grimm,----	Pay costs of prosecution.
June 27, 1917-June 30, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 20, 1917-Sept. 24, 1917,	Charles Curtain,---	Paroled in custody of parents.
	Lester Young, ----	Paroled in custody of parents.
Aug. 18, 1917-Nov. 3, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
July 11, 1917-Nov. 10, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
July 11, 1917-Nov. 10, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 30, 1917-Oct. 10, 1917,	Albert Leiby, ------	Acquitted.
Nov. 11, 1916-Jan. 3, 1917,	Harry Soekin, -----	Bill ignored by Grand Jury.
Jan. 20, 1917-Jan. 20, 1917,	Eleanor Long, -----	Committed to Insane Institution at Retreat.
Feb. 10, 1917-July 30, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 26, 1917-May 11, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
June 14, 1917-June 23, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
May 28, 1917-June 1, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
June 2, 1917-June 4, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 21, 1917-July 17, 1917,	----------	No evidence of incendiarism.
June 27, 1917-July 31, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 8, 1916-Aug. 12, 1916,	Harry Rough, -----	Acquitted.
Dec. 18, 1917-April 27, 1918,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
June 2, 1917-June 30, 1917,	Florence McKinney,	9 months in County Jail.
	William Andrews,-	$100 fine, 14 months solitary confinement in Eastern Penitentiary.
	Joseph McCadden,-	$500 fine, 18 months to 2 years in solitary confinement in Eastern Penitentiary.
Jan. 23, 1917-Feb. 3, 1917,	----------	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.

STATEMENT NO. 16. INVESTIGATION OF

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Township		
Lycoming,	Watson township,	Feb. 5, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lycoming,	Williamsport,	Aug. 28, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Lycoming,	Jersey Shore,	Sept. 16, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Lycoming,	Williamsport,	Oct. 1, 1917,	Frame—factory,
Lycoming,	Jersey Shore,	Dec. 9, 1917,	Frame—store,
McKean,	Bradford,	Feb. 28, 1917,	Frame—store,
McKean,	Bradford,	March 19, 1917,	Frame—store,
McKean,	Wetmore,	Oct. 3, 1917,	Brick—chemical plant,
Mercer,	Sharon,	April 13, 1917,	Brick—manufacturing plant,
Mercer,	Hickory township,	Nov. 9, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Mifflin,	Wayne township,	Jan. 17, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Mifflin,	Granville township,	March 6, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Mifflin,	Brown township,	April 29, 1917,	Frame—moving picture house
Monroe,	Stroud township,	Jan. 12, 1917,	Steel barn,
Monroe,	East Stroudsburg,	Aug. 1, 1916,	Brick—factory,
Monroe,	Paradise township,	Nov. 15, 1917,	Frame—store,
Montgomery,	Upper Dublin township,	Feb. 2, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Montgomery,	Lansdale,	Feb. 18, 1917,	Frame—store,
Montgomery,	Gwynedd Valley,	March 14, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Montgomery,	Narberth,	April 30, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Montgomery,	Lower Merion township,	May 8, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Montgomery,	Upper Gwynedd township,	Sept. 17, 1917,	Frame—barn—dwelling,
Montgomery,	Lower Merion township,	Oct. 13, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Montour,	Danville,	Jan. 13, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Montour,	Danville,	March 3, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Montour,	Danville,	March 23, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Montour,	Danville,	April 8, 1917,	Woodland,
Northampton,	South Bethlehem,	March 22, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Northampton,	Washington township,	May 6, 1917,	Frame—store,
Northampton,	Northampton,	Sept. 9, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Northampton,	South Bethlehem,	Sept. 28, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Northampton,	Easton,	Nov. 2, 1917,	Brick—factory,
Northampton,	Pen Argyl,	Dec. 17, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Northumberland,	Mt. Carmel,	Jan. 24, 1917,	Frame—photo studio,
Northumberland,	Milton,	July 12, 1915,	Frame—dwelling,
Northumberland,	Shamokin,	Dec. 15, 1916,	Frame—store,
Northumberland,	Sunbury,	Jan. 2, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Northumberland,	Sunbury,	April 7, 1917,	Mail box—office door,
Northumberland,	Rush township,	June 30, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Perry,	Toboyne township,	March 19, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Perry,	Tuscarora township,	March 20, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Perry,	Penn township,	April 6, 1917,	Frame—cottage,
Pike,	Matamoras,	Dec. 1, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Potter,	Oswayo,	April 22, 1917,	Frame—store,
Schuylkill,	Palo Alto,	March 19, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Pottsville,	Jan. 1, 1917,	Frame—shoe shop,
Schuylkill,	Pottsville,	Jan. 14, 1917,	Frame—stable

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Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
Oct. 6, 1917-Nov. 10, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 30, 1917-Oct. 24, 1917,	Laura Miller,	Placed in custody of Childrens Aid Society.
	Charles Schemery,	Placed in custody of Childrens Aid Society.
Sept. 16, 1917-Dec. 12, 1917,	E. E. Daugherty,	Acquitted.
Oct. 2, 1917-Oct. 13, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 10, 1917-Dec. 16, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 22, 1917-April 25, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 22, 1917-April 16, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 4, 1917-Oct. 11, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 14, 1917-April 16, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 20, 1917-Nov. 22, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 19, 1917-Jan. 19, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 9, 1917-Mar. 15, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 1, 1917-May 3, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 12, 1917-Mar. 17, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 3, 1916-Investigation being continued.	Max Radin,	3 counts. Pay costs, fine $1.00, not less than 4 nor more than 10 years Eastern Penitentiary.
	Israel Freed,	4 counts. Pay costs, fine $1.00, not less than 15 months, nor more than 2 years in Eastern Penitentiary.
	Harry Goldman,	Nolle Prossed.
	Israel Goldman,	Nolle Prossed.
	Louis Rosenthal,	Nolle Prossed.
	Jacob Rosenthal,	Nolle Prossed.
Nov. 26, 1917-Dec. 20, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 6, 1917-Feb. 7, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 21, 1917-Feb. 23, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 28, 1917-Mar. 30, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 1, 1917-May 2, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 8, 1917-June 9, 1917,	Chas. Campwell,	Pennsylvania Industrial Reformatory.
Sept. 20, 1917-Mar. 2, 1918,	Edward Braunfeldt,	3 years in Montgomery County Jail, hard labor and solitary confinement.
Oct. 16, 1917-Dec. 8, 1917,	Thomas Jeffries,	Not more than 6 years, nor less than 5 years Eastern Penitentiary.
Jan. 17, 1917-Jan. 20, 1917,	Thomas Daly,	Placed in custody of parents.
Mar. 12, 1917-April 28, 1917,	Mollie Baker,	Danville Insane Hospital.
Mar. 24, 1917-April 13, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 10, 1917-May 28, 1917,	John Labones, Watald Runcel,	Sentence suspended. Pay $100 each.
April 10, 1917-April 24, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
June 27, 1917-June 29, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 24, 1917-Oct. 25, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Oct. 2, 1917-Oct. 20, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 6, 1917-Nov. 13, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 18, 1917-Dec. 21, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 23, 1917-June 2, 1917,	John Kazoilka,	Acquitted.
July 12, 1915-Sept. 26, 1917,	Samuel Pauling,	Nolle Prossed.
	James Showers,	Acquitted.
Feb. 21, 1917-Feb. 28, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 17, 1917-Jan. 22, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 16, 1917-May 28, 1917,	Harry Haupt,	Danville Insane Hospital.
July 6, 1917-Nov. 1, 1917,	Charles Mench,	Criminal Insane Asylum at Farview.
Mar. 21, 1917-Mar. 22, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 10, 1917-April 19, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 10, 1917-April 26, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 17, 1917-Dec. 20, 1917,	Fannie Older,	$1000 fine, 18 months to 3 years Eastern Penitentiary.
April 27, 1917-May 21, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 19, 1917-Mar. 22, 1917,	Carmelia Garipoli, Charles Pollotta,	Nolle Prossed.
Jan. 9, 1917-Aug. 1, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 15, 1917-Mar. 19, 1917,	William Kline,	Glen Mills Reform School.
	E. Harris,	Paroled in charge of Probation Officer.
	Charles Harris,	Paroled in charge of Probation Officer.

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Township		
Schuylkill,	Pike township,	Jan. 25, 1917,	Frame—meat market,
Schuylkill,	Locust Spring,	Feb. 8, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Shenandoah,	March 2, 1917,	Frame—store,
Schuylkill,	Rush township,	March 3, 1917,	Frame—hotel—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Coaldale,	April 9, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Mahanoy City,	May 11, 1917,	Frame—store,
Schuylkill,	St. Clair,	July 8, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Shenandoah,	Sept. 17, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Norwegian township,	Oct. 12, 1917,	Stone—dwelling,
Schuylkill,	Tamaqua,	Nov. 12, 1917,	Frame—warehouse,
Schuylkill,	Pottsville,	Nov. 28, 1917,	Brick—store,
Schuylkill,	Tamaqua,	Dec. 2, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Schuylkill,	Tower City,	Dec. 26, 1917,	Brick—church,
Somerset,	Benson,	April 30, 1917,	Frame—garage,
Somerset,	Benson,	April 30, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Somerset,	Hooversville,	Sept. 25, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Susquehanna,	Harford,	Jan. 15, 1917,	Frame—hall,
Susquehanna,	Forest City,	June 25, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Tioga,	Mansfield,	Oct. 19, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Tioga,	Lawrenceville,	Feb. 14, 1917,	Frame—store,
Venango,	Oil City,	Feb. 26, 1917,	Frame—storage,
Warren,	Columbus township,	April 1, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Warren,	Fallowfield township,	Sept. 6, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Washington,	Scenery Hill,	Feb. 3, 1917,	Frame—barn—garage,
Washington,	Donora,	March 4, 1917,	Frame—office,
Washington,	Donora,	March 4, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Washington,	Cecil township,	March 25, 1917,	Frame—store,
Washington,	Mt. Pleasant township,	June 27, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Wayne,	Buckingham township,	Dec. 7, 1916,	Frame—saw mill,
Westmoreland,	Franklin township,	Nov. 26, 1916,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Franklin township,	Dec. 8, 1916,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Franklin township,	Dec. 8, 1916,	Frame—hall,
Westmoreland,	New Kensington,	Jan. 9, 1917,	Frame—bath house,
Westmoreland,	Mt. Pleasant,	Jan. 21, 1917,	Brick—store—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Franklin township,	Feb. 6, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	West Wheatfield township,	April 8, 1917,	Brick plant,
Westmoreland,	Scottdale,	April 11, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Westmoreland,	Washington township,	April 22, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Westmoreland,	Larimer,	May 7, 1917,	Brick—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Yukon,	May 11, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	Arnold,	Sept. 17, 1917,	Frame—garage,
Westmoreland,	Vandergrift,	Oct. 31, 1917,	Frame—brick—dwelling,
Westmoreland,	New Kensington,	Nov. 5, 1917,	Brick—powder plant,
Westmoreland,	Unity township,	Dec. 16, 1917,	Frame—store,
York,	West Manheim township,	July 28, 1917,	Grist saw mill,
York,	Warrington township,	Aug. 14, 1917,	Frame—store,
York,	Windsor township,	Sept. 2, 1917,	Frame—barn,
York,	Fairview township,	Oct. 28, 1917,	Frame—hay shed,

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Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
Jan. 27, 1917-Mar. 21, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 14, 1917-July 25, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 6, 1917-July 30, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 6, 1917-June 18, 1917,	Bert Kennerer,	Acquitted. Convicted—charge carrying concealed weapons.
April 10, 1917-May 16, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 12, 1917-May 14, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 14, 1917-July 16, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 21, 1917-Oct. 6, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Oct. 30, 1917-Nov. 7, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Nov. 14, 1917-Nov. 15, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Nov. 29, 1917-Nov. 30, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 2, 1917-Dec. 3, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 27, 1917-Jan. 1, 1918,	Grant King,	County Insane Asylum Hospital.
May 2, 1917-June 20, 1917,	William Helsel,	Pay costs of prosecution.
May 2, 1917-June 20, 1917,	William Helsel,	Pay costs of prosecution, 5 years Western Penitentiary.
Sept. 26, 1917-Sept. 27, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Jan. 23, 1917-Feb. 2, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 2, 1917-July 20, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Dec. 14, 1916-Mar. 23, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Feb. 17, 1917-Mar. 22, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
July 12, 1917-July 28, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
June 14, 1917-July 2, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 2, 1918-April 11, 1918,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Feb. 10, 1917-Feb. 20, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 22, 1917-Mar. 27, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Mar. 22, 1917-Mar. 27, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Mar. 28, 1917-May 17, 1917,	Morris Schwartz,	Acquitted.
July 14, 1917-July 21, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 17, 1917-Mar. 20, 1917,	Fred Heesh,	Left jurisdiction of State.
Dec. 8, 1916-June 12, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 8, 1916-June 12, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 8, 1916-June 12, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Jan. 26, 1917-Feb. 24, 1917,	Victor Sowol, Constantine Sultz, Sam Orloff,	Discharged—not sufficient evidence.
Jan. 22, 1917-Jan. 26, 1917,	Arlie Queer, Joe Sillaman,	Pennsylvania Training School. Pennsylvania Training School.
Aug. 22, 1917-Sept. 5, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
April 11, 1917-April 18, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
April 24, 1917-May 12, 1917,	Harry Jarrett, Clarence Hollis,	Placed in custody of father. Placed in custody of father.
May 11, 1917-June 1, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
May 17, 1917-May 26, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
May 29, 1917-June 12, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Sept. 25, 1917-Sept. 26, 1917,	Carmel Forgach, Lidia Forgach, Howard Whetzell,	Confessed—Prosecution dropped on account of age.
Oct. 31, 1917-Nov. 3, 1917,	Garnett Bowser,	Placed in custody of Probation Officer.
Nov. 6, 1917-Nov. 6, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Dec. 17, 1917-Dec. 20, 1917,	Morris Novice,	Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.
Aug. 1, 1917-Aug. 6, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Aug. 21, 1917-Aug. 24, 1917,		No evidence of incendiarism.
Sept. 7, 1917-Sept. 13, 1917,	Stephen Leachman,	Custody of Detention Officer.
Nov. 12, 1917-Nov. 15, 1917,		Not sufficient evidence to warrant prosecution.

Location.		Date of Fire.	Structure.
County.	City—Borough—Township.		
Armstrong,	Madison township,	Sept. 5, 1917,	Brick—dwelling,
Bradford,	Bradford,	Sept. 28, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,
Bradford,	Sheshequin township,	Oct. 14, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Bradford,	Ridgebury township,	Nov. 7, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Carbon,	Banks township,	July 3, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Carbon,	Weissport,	Nov. 6, 1917,	Auto,
Centre,	Spring township,	April 11, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Chester,	Devon,	Oct. 7, 1917,	Frame—stable,
Chester,	South Coventry township,	Nov. 11, 1917,	
Clearfield,	Boggs township,	Oct. 2, 1917.	
Clearfield,	Morris township,	Jan. 31, 1915,	Frame—store,
Dauphin,	Highspire township,		Frame—dwelling,
Dauphin,	Steelton,	Sept. 20, 1917,	Frame—garage,
Delaware,	Chester,		Brick—garage,
Delaware,	Haverford township,	Aug. 9, 1917,	Brick—frame—dwelling,
Erie,	Concord township,	March 25, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Fayette,	South Connellsville,	Feb. 5, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Fayette,	Belle Vernon,	April 14, 1917,	Frame—store,
Fayette,	German township,	Dec. 18, 1917,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Oct. 10, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Oct. 10, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Scranton,	Dec. 2, 1917,	Frame—hotel,
Lackawanna,	Dickson City,	Dec. 27, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Archbald,	Feb. 10, 1916,	Frame—store—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Throop,	March 24, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Lackawanna,	Dickson City,	Aug. 15, 1917,	Brick—schoolhouse,
Lancaster,	Lancaster,	April 5, 1915,	Brick—dwelling,
Lawrence,	Ellwood City,	Sept. 12, 1917,	Frame—barn,
Luzerne,	Kingston,	May 30, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hudson,		Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hazleton,	Oct. 20, 1917,	
Luzerne,	Larksville,	Oct. 29, 1917,	Frame—hotel,
Luzerne,	Ashley,		Frame—dwelling,
Luzerne,	Hazleton,	Dec. 10, 1917,	Brick—factory,
Luzerne,	Edwardsville,	Dec. 26, 1917,	
Luzerne,	Wilkes-Barre,	March 1, 1917,	Frame—rag storage,
Lycoming,	Porter township,	Sept. 23, 1916,	Brick—dwelling,
Monroe,	East Stroudsburg,	Aug. 1, 1916,	Brick—factory,
Montgomery,	Norristown,	July 1, 1917,	Brick—schoolhouse,
Montgomery,	Abington township,	Oct. 28, 1917,	
Montour,	Danville,	July 6, 1917,	Frame—dwelling,
Somerset,	Conemaugh township,	Aug. 24, 1916,	Frame—dwelling,

NOT COMPLETE.

Period of Investigation.	Arrests.	Disposition.
Sept. 13, 1917.		
Oct. 27, 1917.		
Oct. 29, 1917.		
Nov. 8, 1917.		
July 9, 1917.		
Nov. 26, 1917.		
April 23, 1917-April 27, 1917,	Mrs. Myrtle Fike,	Awaiting trial.
Oct. 11, 1917.		
Nov. 15. 1917.		
Oct. 2, 1917.		
Feb. 20, 1915-April 18, 1915,	Herman Moyer,	Awaiting trial.
Sept. 11, 1917.		
Oct. 6, 1917.		
Nov. 12, 1917.		
Sept. 4, 1917.		
April 5, 1917.		
Feb. 20, 1917.		
April 17, 1917.		
Dec. 31, 1917-Jan. 21, 1918,	Eteo Mahmod,	Awaiting trial.
	Palake Eknivis,	Awaiting trial
Nov. 19, 1917.		
Oct. 23, 1917.		
Dec. 3, 1917.		
Jan. 16, 1918.		
June 28, 1917-Aug. 10, 1917,	Edward Shamburs-ky.	Awaiting trial.
	John Shambursky,	Awaiting trial.
April 28, 1917-April 30, 1917,	John Legenza,	Awaiting trial.
Aug. 30, 1917-Sept. 14, 1917,	R. W. Shaffer,	Awaiting trial.
	Edgar Davis,	Awaiting trial.
April 5, 1915-May 5, 1915,	Fred Stoey,	Pending.
Sept. 20, 1917-Sept. 29, 1917,	J. L. McMunn,	Awaiting trial.
Aug. 10, 1917.		
Oct. 16, 1917.		
Oct. 20, 1917.		
Oct. 31, 1917.		
Nov. 26, 1917.		
Dec. 29, 1917.		
Jan. 2, 1918.		
Mar. 2, 1917-April 2, 1917,	Schmiel Isaacovitz,	Awaiting trial.
Sept. 23, 1916-Oct. 13, 1916,	Mrs. Nellie Snyder,	Awaiting trial.
Aug. 3, 1916-Aug. 8, 1916,	Sam Serwer,	Awaiting trial.
	Isadore Klein,	Awaiting trial.
July 3, 1917.		
Dec. 10, 1917.		
July 10, 1917-July 22, 1917,	Thomas Diehl,	Awaiting trial.
	Harrison Diehl,	Awaiting trial.
Aug. 28, 1916.		